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Jen's bling!

She may have pulled off a secret wedding but Jennifer Aniston, 46, was still keeping schtum about the details of her marriage to Justin Theroux, 44, at last week's premiere of *She's Funny That Way*. But Jen couldn't keep under wraps her gold and diamond band – gorgeous.

The marriage comes after five happy years with Justin – almost as long as I've been at *Now*! This is my final issue before I'm off to get married and pastures new (I'm not copying Jen, honest!).

I've had the privilege of working with the best team in the business – for the best readers in magland. Thanks for reading!

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This week's *Love* juice

Who's **dating**, **mating** and **hating**

Babies on the way!

Kelly Clarkson & Brandon Blackstock

Singer Kelly revealed some *big* news at her LA concert last week, announcing to the crowd that she's pregnant again. The 33-year-old, who gave birth to daughter River Rose with husband Brandon, 38, last summer, broke down in tears during her performance of song Piece By Piece, admitting: 'I'm totally pregnant. I'm honestly so hormonal today. That's totally not how I wanted to announce that.' She added: 'I just didn't want you to think I was crazy or something. Nothing's wrong. Everything's great. I haven't vomited yet!'

The former American Idol star has been dealing with endless criticism over her weight gain recently but it's clear she doesn't give a damn and is looking happier than ever. Well, who can blame her with a baby on the way?

Speaking on Ellen DeGeneres's chat show earlier this year, Kelly revealed she's always had to deal with comments about her body but insisted: 'We are who we are, whatever size. I'm such a creative person that I yo-yo. So sometimes I'm more fit and I get into kickboxing hardcore. And then sometimes I don't and I'm like... I'd rather have wine!' Congrats to you, Kelly!



*A moment
like this!
Thankful...*



The couple are
'very excited'
about their
first child

Sam Faiers & Paul Knightley

After a nine-month whirlwind romance, Sam, 24, is expecting a baby with her property developer boyfriend Paul. Friends say the couple are 'thrilled and really looking forward to becoming first-time parents.' Earlier this month, Sam admitted she and Paul had talked about children. 'I'm really looking forward to having a family,' she revealed.

Rihanna & Lewis Hamilton

Ri-Ri, 27, and Lewis, 30, have been spotted partying in both Barbados and New York. Intriguing...

Hotting up



Are Lewis and Ri-Ri the new power couple?

LOVE ladder



Sandra Bullock

Sandy, 51, took her new man – a photographer described by pals as ‘super-handsome and super-normal’ to Jen Aniston’s recent wedding.



Perrie Edwards & Zayn Malik

Poor Perrie, 22, broke down in tears on stage performing Little Mix song The End after her split with 1D’s Zayn, 22.

Cooling off

Charlotte Crosby & Mitch Jenkins

Charlotte, 25, has spilt with on/off boyf Mitch, but says there might be hope of a future reunion.



Saturbabe!

Frankie & Wayne Bridge

Massive congrats to Frankie, 26, and Wayne, 35, who welcomed their son Carter last week. The Saturdays star Tweeted her newborn was ‘absolutely perfect’. It’s baby No 2 for the pair, whose first son Parker was born in October 2013.



Francesca Bridge @FrankieBridge

Our gorgeous baby boy Carter Bridge was born this morning. He is absolutely perfect - Parker is so excited to be a big brother!



Spotting Summer Rain

Christina Aguilera & Summer Rain

It doesn’t get sweeter than Summer Rain. Christina shared this adorable snap of her little girl on her first birthday. The 34-year-old diva’s been engaged to Summer’s dad Matthew Rutler, 30, since February 2014.

Megan’s love split

Megan Fox & Brian Austin Green

Sad news – Megan, 29, and her 42-year-old husband Brian have reportedly parted ways. The pair, who’ve been together for 11 years and wed in 2010, have two sons Noah, two, and Bodhi, 18 months. They’re said to have separated six months ago but remain on good terms for the sake of their kids. While Megan and Brian are yet to confirm the news, close sources say work commitments put a strain on their marriage. ‘They fight about her career,’ claimed an insider. ‘Megan was obsessed with getting roles...’



Crush corner

RYAN PHILLIPPE, 40

We demand to see actor Ryan’s ID pronto, as these jaw-dropping beach pix put blokes half his age to shame! Check him out soaking up the rays and making our jaws drop while frolicking in Malibu.



X FACTOR FILES

Betrayal, public humiliation, tragedy – the judges have all been through the mill but this year's show is a fresh new start

SIMON COWELL:

Still devastated by the death of his mum

Simon Cowell was naturally devastated by the death of his beloved mother Julie, who passed away on 5 July at the age of 89. And he'll miss her more than ever during this series as Julie was an integral part of the X Factor family. 'Julie was a big fan of the show,' a source confirms.

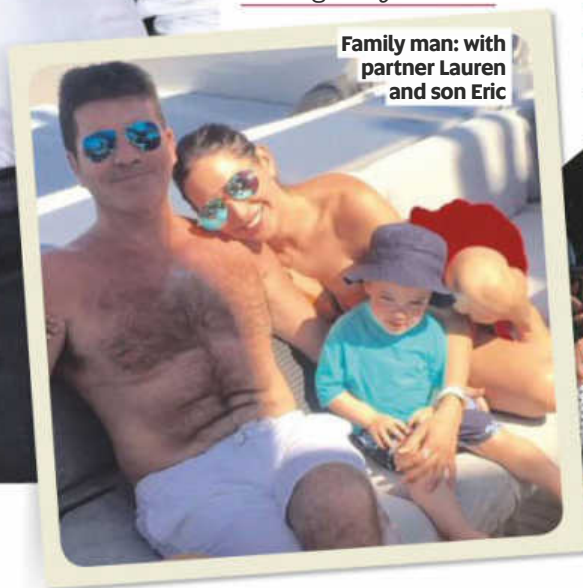
Simon, 55, and his mum had such a close bond that she would watch his shows and take him to task if she thought he was being too harsh. He admitted last year: 'She still loves to tell me off. The worst thing she can say to me if I've got my friends

round is: "Simon, stop showing off!" And there's no answer back to that.'

Just a few days after his loss, Simon was in Manchester for the X Factor auditions – where, he says, Cheryl Fernandez-Versini was a pillar of support. He revealed: 'When you go through a tough time, you see who your real friends are. Cheryl was there. She was incredible – and that's the side that maybe she doesn't show to many people, but she is very compassionate.' While Simon believes the show must always go on, Julie's death has no doubt had an impact on him. But he's determined to make this series the best yet. 'I want fighters!' he says.



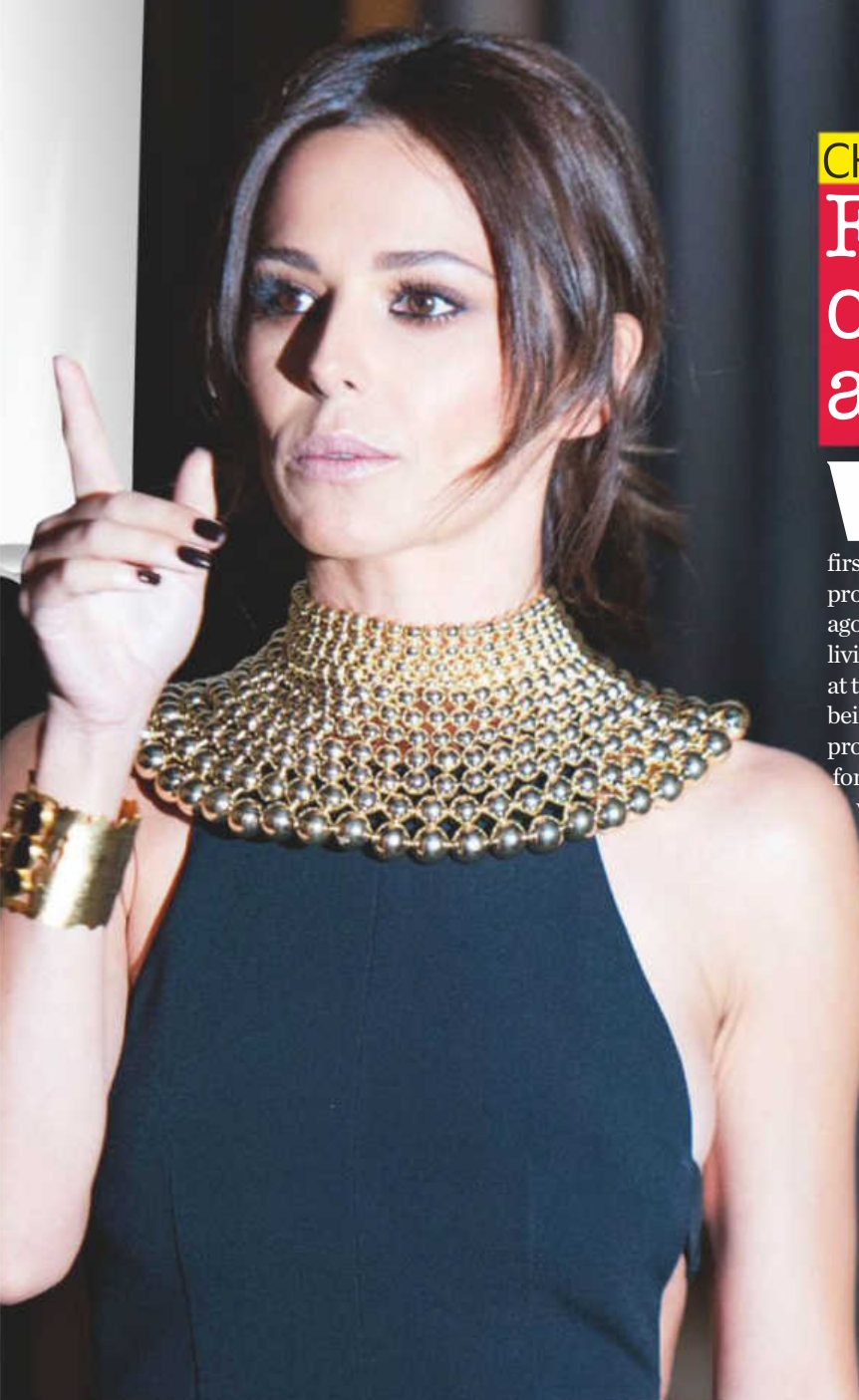
That cool exterior gives nothing away, but Simon's bound to be broken-hearted



Family man: with partner Lauren and son Eric



He adored his mum Julie



CHERYL FERNANDEZ-VERSINI

Freaked out over being anorexia 'inspo'

When Cheryl Fernandez-Versini's slender frame was first hailed as 'thinspiration' on pro-anorexia websites five years ago, it's safe to say that she was livid and reportedly 'freaked out' at the idea. And now Cheryl's being hailed as a role model on pro-ana websites yet again, forcing her to hit back with vengeance.

In a bid to silence critics, Cheryl, 32, said: 'No, I'm not anorexic.

It all started with a girl on Instagram calling us a bag of bones. At the time I thought, people are so quick to judge without thinking: "Is there a reason why this person might be like that?"

'Right now I feel like we're facing a lot of body issues in general – girls expected to have big booties, girls with

thin legs – and it's impossible. It needs to slow down or stop. It's highlighting body insecurities and it's not right. I work 12 to 14 hours a day. I don't even have time at the moment to exercise – and I don't need to either. It's nice that people are concerned, but honestly there's no cause for concern. You can see I'm completely and utterly well and happy.'

One person who's got Cheryl's back is her second husband Jean Bernard. JB, 34, responded to cruel comments about his wife on Instagram, saying: 'She is the most

beautiful woman on the planet and she wants to share it. #sharingiscaring. And I can tell you something else, she really cares about her fans and is touched by all your support. Now for the haters, please continue talking #wasteofenergy. I wish I had that much time... Must mean you have a very productive life.'



With hubby Jean-Bernard

'PEOPLE ARE SO QUICK TO JUDGE'

'My night with Cheryl'

Now's Sarah Bradbury reveals all...

Last week I was at Aqua in Central London for the launch of Cheryl's new fragrance Storm Flower Noir. At around 7:42pm, a low murmur and buzz started up as she arrived, looking very beautiful in a black Narciso Rodriguez jumpsuit that showed off a bit of side boob. Yes, she's tiny in the flesh, but Cheryl oozed confidence and had a healthy glow. I can't understand why people slam her figure.

I nabbed her to chat briefly about what she thought was trending now in fashion. 'I'll tell you what's *not* trending now – them jelly shoes!' she told me. Good job I'd changed out of mine moments before...

I asked her for a selfie and she looked me in the eye and replied: 'Of course you can, Cara,' making reference to the fact I apparently look a little like Cara Delevingne!

At the end of the night,



Cheryl and Cara... sorry, we mean Now's Sarah!

Cheryl tapped me on the shoulder as she passed and said: 'Bye, Cara!', winking. I think a part of me died.

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RITA ORA:

Under pressure to prove herself

As one of the two new additions to the X Factor judging panel, Rita Ora is understandably nervous about her new role. But to make matters worse, it wasn't long ago she was at the centre of an online hate campaign over her choice to quit The Voice and join its rival show.

The 24-year-old singer was accused of choosing cash over credibility after deciding to jump

ship. But she hit back at critics on a visit to the East London Arts And Music Academy earlier this year, saying: 'I can't believe people would ever think that I would do it for that. I thought: "Look at these talented kids in this school." It reminded me that I'm so lucky. And that's why I'm doing shows like The X Factor.'

Despite her defiant stance, it seems the pressure of her having to prove her worth against established judges Cheryl and Simon is clearly still on her mind. Rita reveals: 'The X Factor is a big deal to me. I'll bring the sex factor to the series! I'm really excited because I think people change their perspective of a person when you get to know them.'



Rita's excited to be joining the X Factor team

Rita denies she's doing the show for money



NICK GRIMSHAW:

Devastated over death of friend

He's always cracking jokes, but Radio 1 DJ Nick Grimshaw faced heartache when he lost his best friend Peaches Geldof, aged just 25, to heroin last year. The 31-year-old judge recently revealed: 'I had to re-evaluate my life. It's made me stop and think.'

The breakfast show host says he's cut back on partying as he gets older. 'I've had a healthier lifestyle for quite a while now. I eat better food and drink less, and I'm trying to be fitter. And part of that's because I need to get up early and function.'

Nick was in California for the Coachella festival when the news broke of Peaches' death. He cancelled his plans and flew back immediately. The pair were last seen together that February at the Brit Awards, then leaving a party hand in hand at 5am.

Nick's been keeping busy with work since and now says: 'I'm looking forward to going to work on a Saturday and Sunday and not feeling like a crazy person. I feel the sense of event is something I'll love, knowing everyone's watching on a Saturday night. I can't wait.'



Nick and Peaches were great mates who loved to party

Peaches' death has made Nick reconsider how he lives his life

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OLLY MURS:

Haunted by feud with twin

He's the cheeky chappie we've all grown to love but underneath Olly Murs' happy-go-lucky persona, the singer's dealing with a family feud with his twin brother. It began in 2009 when Olly, 31, missed his brother Ben's wedding for the X Factor semi-final.

Ben's described Olly as a 'self-obsessed sellout' and said he never wants to speak to him again, adding: 'Things have got to the point where if I have children, I don't want Olly to meet them.'

But Olly defended himself recently, saying: 'My brother knew how much I wanted to change my life. He knew this was my big dream. But all he could think was: "This is my wedding, why aren't you coming?" It was his excuse for not having me in his life any more.'

'I don't think his wife [Amy Hart] ever liked us as a family. I loved my brother to bits. Anything he wanted I'd do for him.' Olly's trying to put the heartache behind him with his new role co-hosting the show, saying: 'Dermot O'Leary was brilliant, but we're trying to create our own thing.'

Olly reckons Ben's wife Amy never liked him

CAROLINE FLACK:

Love split heartache

Caroline Flack may have everything she's ever wanted career-wise, but she's far from lucky in the love department. She faced fresh heartache a couple of weeks ago after ending her relationship with Jack Street, 27, for the second time.

The couple first split in December, but at that time Caroline, 35, threw herself into Strictly Come Dancing – and walked away with the coveted glitterball. They seemed to have reignited their romance in June when they were pictured at

Glastonbury together. But now it's over again.

She recently said: 'You know the stereotype "heartbreak girl" you read about in books and magazines? I did everything you're not supposed to do when you're heartbroken.'

The new X Factor co-host admits one aspect of the show that she can't wait for is the style wars between the judges. She recently said: 'I'm looking forward to seeing what they all wear.'

The break-up with Jack has hit her hard

Caroline's now focusing on her new job as co-host

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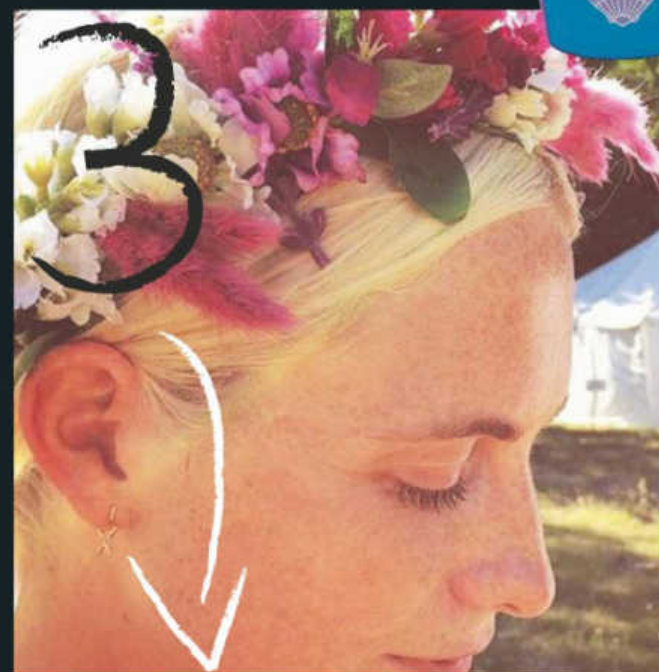


LAUREN POPE
The Popey looks holiday-prepped and pretty in this ditsy print playsuit.



FERNE McCANN

Garden goddess
Ferne even manages to make her foot support look fashionable with this pinafore!



POPPY DELEVINGNE

Crowned with a flower garland, daydreamer Poppy's ready for a festival.



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Ooh, what have the stars been shopping and sharing this week?



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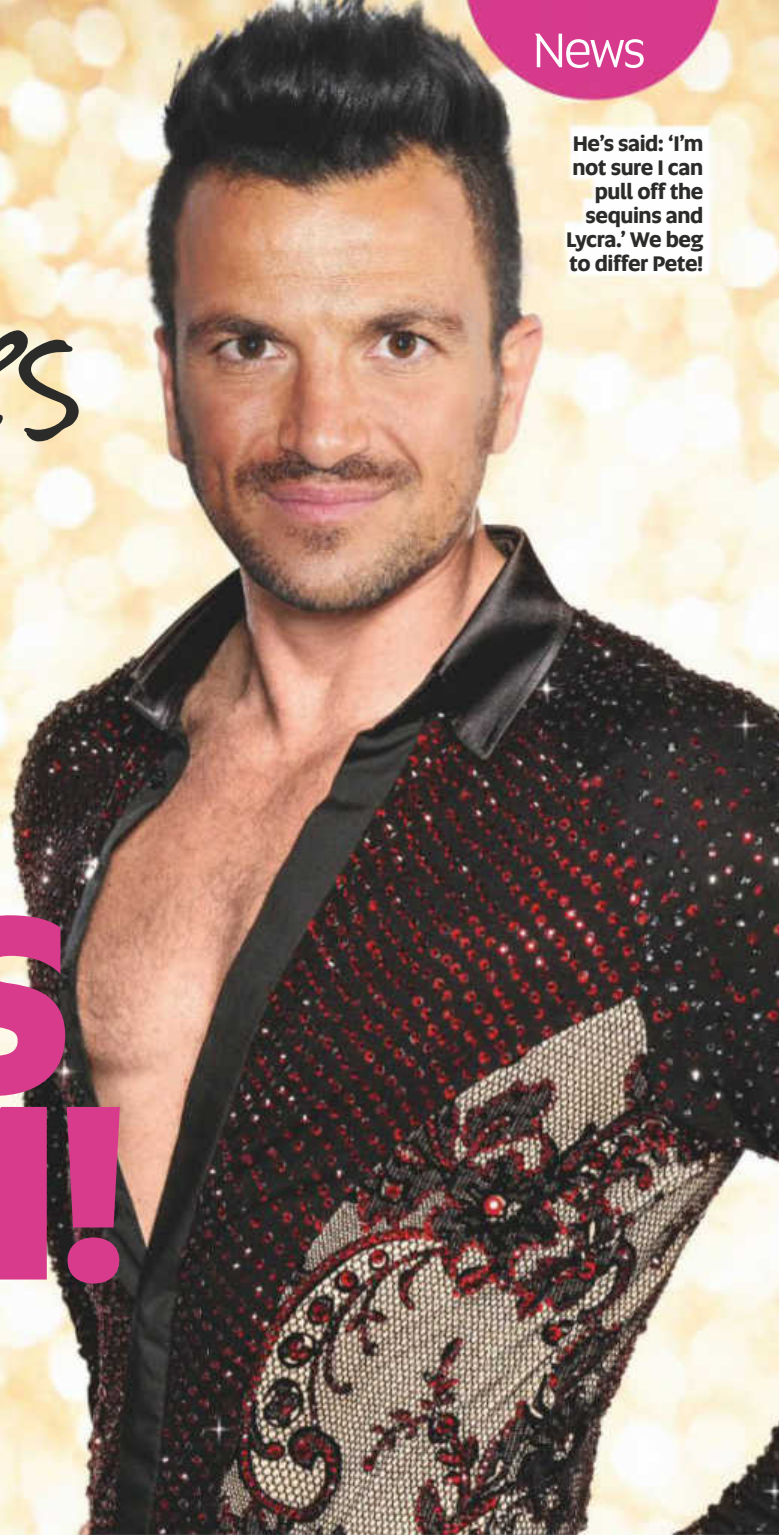
Katie had to pull out of Australia's Dancing With The Stars

Peter waltzes off

He's said: 'I'm not sure I can pull off the sequins and Lycra.' We beg to differ Pete!

WITH KATIE'S DREAM!

As Peter Andre is revealed to be joining Strictly Come Dancing, there may be one person who *isn't* popping open the champers...



It's shaping up to be quite a year for Peter Andre. First he gets married to his long-term love Emily MacDonagh, then he lands a

swanky new record deal and now he's going to be a contestant on the next series of Strictly Come Dancing. Pete, 42, revealed he'd actually previously been asked to

take part in the show but his work commitments meant he had to turn it down. But not this time!

Peter announced the news last week, saying: 'Strictly Come Dancing's an incredible show. I've always loved watching it on TV and to be honest I'm flattered to have been asked to take part before, but due to certain work commitments was unable to. I now feel the time's right to give it a go. Everything's just clicked into place to do it this year. Wish me luck please... argh!'

Pete isn't the only one gushing

about his new gig. Fans took to Twitter to express their delight – and even professional dancer Brendan Cole hit social media

to welcome Pete to the Strictly family. Brendan, 39, Tweeted: 'Shut Ya Face... It's only Peter Andre doing Strictly Come Dancing. Awesome news BBC. You're gonna love it Peter!'

But there might be one person who won't be taking to any of their social media accounts to congratulate him – step forward

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No stranger to busting out his moves onstage – Pete on tour last autumn

Peter's ex-wife Katie Price. Just months ago, the 37-year-old admitted she'd enjoy waltzing her way to holding the famous glitterball herself, saying: 'I'd love to do the show, but they've never asked! So I'll stir the pot and say: "If it's true, give me a call!"'.

So has Pete stolen Katie's big dancing dream? A source says: 'Katie will be alright. It won't stop her watching Strictly, although yes, she'll naturally be a bit put out. But I'm sure she'll get over it and will end up

'KATIE WILL BE A BIT PUT OUT BUT IT WON'T STOP HER WATCHING'

watching the show. Their kids [Junior, 10, and Princess, eight] will definitely want to see their dad performing on TV.'

Ironically, it wasn't long ago that Katie was set to join Australia's version of the show *Dancing With The Stars* – but had to pull out due to a clash with work commitments. 'Everyone thought she was going to Australia to do *Big Brother* but it was actually *Dancing With The Stars*,' a source exclusively told *Now* at the time. 'Katie's really popular down under, but she has a really busy summer coming up and decided it just wouldn't work out with her schedule.'



Peter Andre @MrPeterAndre · 23h

Finally I'm putting on the shoes And the outfits Plse Wish me luck, I'm nervous :))))))

But Pete hasn't let his full diary stop him slipping on his dancing shoes. In July, he married doctor Emily, 25 – mum to their daughter Amelia, one – in a romantic ceremony at Mamhead House,

Exeter. Then, earlier this month he announced a new six-figure record deal with the same record company that's home to Ed Sheeran and Coldplay, proudly revealing: 'I've just signed a worldwide deal with Warner Music and I'm thrilled! Who would have thought 20 years after Mysterious Girl I'd be signed to one of the biggest music labels in the world?'

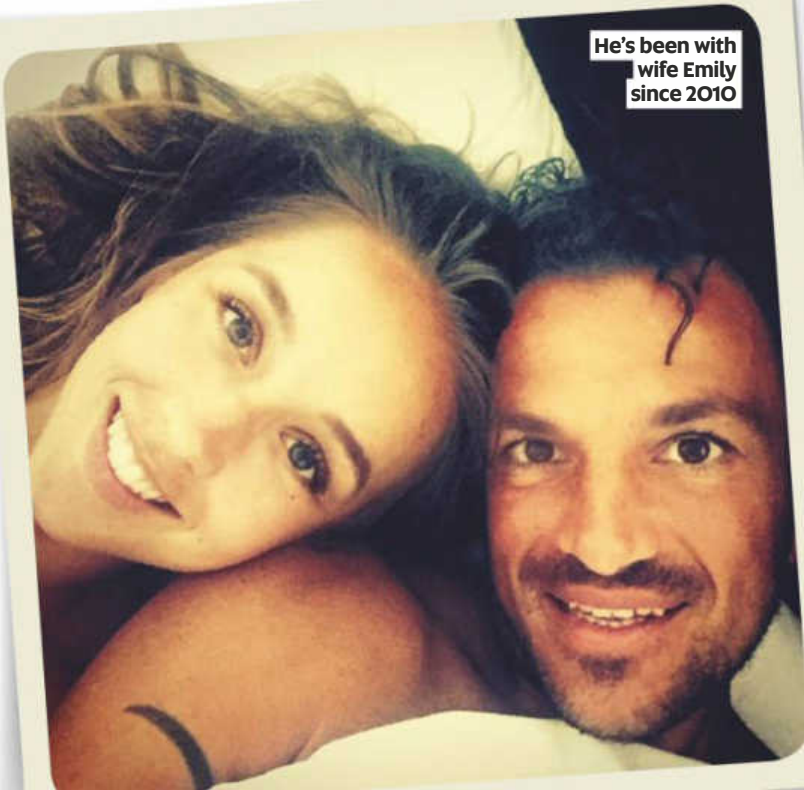
'Signing on the dotted line and cracking open a bottle of champers afterwards is something I'll always remember,' he added. 'I'll be working with some amazing musicians and Michael Bublé's writers and I'm hoping to have an album out by the end of the year.' He also revealed he'll be covering some classic hits alongside his new tracks.

Pete's never made any secret of the fact that he wanted to try out his fancy footwork on *Strictly*. Back in

June, he described it as 'one of the best shows on telly' and revealed that he'd be 'keen to give it a go when the time is right'.

But it's safe to say he'll be feeling slightly apprehensive about the costumes – *Strictly* clothes aren't exactly known for being demure. 'I'm not sure I'd be able to pull off the Lycra outfits and sequins!' he's previously admitted. Oh, come on, Pete – if you can pull off the curtain hairstyle in the 90s, Lycra should be easy!

He's been with wife Emily since 2010



How we learnt to

LOVE OUR B

No matter what shape or size, slim or curvy, these celebs have learnt to embrace

Rebel Wilson

Actress Rebel says: 'Bigger girls do better in comedy'— maybe that's why she's one of Australia's most popular exports, starring in films such as *Pitch Perfect* and *Bridesmaids*. At around 20st Rebel, 35, has no plans to slim any time soon, saying: 'I like being who I am. No pressure could change that.' In a bid for an Oscar, she's using Cate Blanchett's stylist, joking: 'I might have to go naked to get it.'



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They don't care what others think, whether they're super-slim like Miley Cyrus or curvy like Lena Dunham. They're refusing to bow to pressure

to be a certain shape and are, refreshingly, totally owning their individual looks. Here, Now takes a peek at some of our fave celebs who are rocking their own looks and comfortable in their own skin.

Kate Winslet

Straight-talking Kate tells it as it is when it comes to her gorgeous figure. The actress, 39, who weighs around 9st, confessed: 'I have a crumble baby belly, boobs are worse for wear after kids... but I'm doing alright. I don't look in the mirror and go: "Oh, I look fantastic!" Nobody's perfect. I don't believe in perfection but I do believe in saying: "This is who I am and look at me not being perfect." I'm proud of that.'



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'I'M
STARTING
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Gemma Oaten

Gemma, 31, bravely opened up about her 10-year battle with anorexia earlier this year and is feeling stronger than ever. 'My journey was a roller coaster. I had peaks of being well and then would go into relapse. It was very difficult,' she says. The Emmerdale actress, who was just nine when her eating disorder began, says years of therapy helped her overcome the disease, revealing: 'Now I feel like I'm starting to live again.' She's now patron of charity Seed, the support service for eating disorders.

Khloé Kardashian

She's been cruelly dubbed the 'ugly duckling' of the family for not possessing her sisters' tiny physiques, but Khloé, an estimated 12st, has come out fighting. In a recent magazine shoot the 31-year-old showed off the results of her daily workouts and killer curves, saying: 'I'm proud of my body. My body weight will be something I'll struggle with for the rest of my life, but I'm finally in a good place and learning to love me for me and not somebody else's standards.'



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'WE FORGOT WHAT NORMAL PEOPLE LOOK LIKE'

Chrissy Teigen

Supermodels have flaws like the rest of us mere mortals, as Chrissy isn't afraid to show. The stunning star, who's married to singer John Legend, took a stand recently when she posted a picture of stretchmarks on her thighs on Instagram. She did it in support of a social media trend in which women all over the world have been embracing their bodies by showing off their scars to help boost other women's confidence. The 29-year-old Sports Illustrated model, who weighs an estimated 8st said: 'I think we forgot what normal people look like now,' adding: 'I have those apps – the Facetune and Photoshopping ones – and I didn't feel like doing it any more. And I'm never doing it again.' Good on you, Chrissy.

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Miley Cyrus

Judging by the number of times we've seen her flashing her bits, body confidence isn't an issue for Miley, 22, who weighs around 7st. When she was trolled after joking about her 'jiggly thighs' Miley Tweeted: 'Talk all you want. I have my flaws. I'm a normal girl. ...stop calling me fat... Those remarks that you hateful people use are fighting words. The ones that scar people and cause them to damage themselves or others.'

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'I HAVE MY FLAWS. I'M A NORMAL GIRL'



JAN 2013

Lena Dunham

She raised eyebrows as a choice for the cover of Vogue, but *Girls* creator Lena, who weighs nearly 10st, is loving her curves. The 29-year-old is keen on keeping fit and hit out at those who say she's going against her feminist principles by doing so, saying: 'I'm exercising to be a person who lives past 50. I'm not, like, on a crazy diet. I really feel good with my size now... I feel strong and proud.'

The star showed off her figure in lingerie on Instagram in May, with the caption: 'I think I'll wear it to dinner with some boots & a smile because we're all very lucky to be free.'

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CILLA COMES HOME



Cilla died from a stroke after a fall at her Spanish villa

Cilla Black made her final journey to Liverpool as the star's hometown played host to her funeral almost three weeks after her sudden death at the age of 72. Many of Cilla's famous friends – including Cliff Richard, Carol Vorderman, Christopher Biggins, Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tom Jones – gathered to say goodbye, with some sharing emotional tributes on Twitter. Carol wrote: 'It will be a very sad day, but it's a celebration of her life and what a life that was.' Other stars in attendance included Paul O'Grady, Nigel Lythgoe, Lorraine Chase and Jo Wood. Cilla's funeral took place at St Mary's Church – the same church in which she married her beloved late husband Bobby in 1969.

Among the attendees were Lorraine Chase and Jo Wood...



...Tom Jones and Paul O'Grady...



...and Cliff Richard, who sang Oh Faithful One



Taking the piss?

Gwyn's sex guide

Whether it's a treatment that steams your lady bits or affordable yachting holidays, Gwyneth Paltrow's website goop.com never fails to make us laugh. A new post on the 42-year-old actress's site recommends readers wee in the shower to strengthen pelvic muscles and improve their sex life! 'Structural integrative specialist' Lauren Roxburgh says it will 'automatically engage your pelvic floor and naturally stretches and tones'. Er, gross.



Daddy cool



BECKS IS OUR FAVE DAD

David Beckham had us welling up over this pic with son Brooklyn, 16. 'I love this not so little man so much,' wrote Becks, 40. 'Growing up fast into a perfect gentleman and hiking buddy.'

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Shock Meck-over

Lucy goes blonde!

Lucy Mecklenburgh's dark locks have had thousands of girls green-eyed with envy, but now she's opted for a dramatic new look: a bleach-blonde bob with a block fringe. Lucy, 24, shared a pic on Instagram with the caption: 'What do u think?? Behind the

scenes shooting for Ellesse at @veryuk.' But fans of her natural brunette look needn't worry – the new do is just a wig, worn for her latest photo shoot for the sports brand. She totally pulls it off, though, doesn't she?

Cheryl Fernandez-Versini's double?



Despite the slip, the show got its highest ever ratings last week

GBBO oops!

MARY LETS THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG

Mary Berry accidentally let slip the next person to be leaving the Great British Bake Off before the show aired. Speaking to Chris Evans on the Radio 2 Breakfast Show, the 80-year-old GBBO host said: 'We lost Mary last week, Dorret, and on the first week it was our lovely chap with his little hat on.' Chris, 49, tried his best to rectify the situation, saying: 'But you've only lost two so far. There's another one tonight – you know that but we don't.' Oh Mary, we still love you!

Behind bars

Jailed Pistorius early release u-turn

The Paralympian won't now be released from prison after serving just 10 months

Oscar Pistorius has been denied an early prison release after serving 10 months of his five-year sentence for killing his girlfriend Reeva Steenkamp. South Africa's justice minister Michael Masutha blocked the early release, branding the parole board's plan to free Pistorius on 21 August premature and without legal basis. It's now likely to take months for the board to review its decision.

The former Paralympian, 28, has been held at the Kgosi Mampuru II Prison in Pretoria since he was found guilty in September 2014 of culpable homicide after shooting Reeva,

29, through his locked bathroom door.

The timing of Oscar's proposed release had already upset Reeva's family as it would have been her 32nd birthday on 19 August. Her mum June had said the news had 'opened a lot of old wounds for the entire family. Ten months is a very small price to pay for taking Reeva's life'.

The prosecution last week filed an appeal to overturn the homicide verdict. If successful, Pistorius could instead be found guilty of murder, which carries a 15-year jail sentence.



Model Reeva was shot dead on Valentine's Day 2013



Pistorius is serving his sentence at one of South Africa's largest prisons



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‘I’d be happy with a £100 engagement ring from Arg’

The TOWIE star talks wedding plans, some pretty lavish gifts and taking life a bit more seriously...

We’ve always known TOWIE’s Lydia Bright is a down-to-earth sorta girl, but when we caught up with the Essex local recently, we realised just how normal she really is. Despite being a mega-famous

reality star and co-owner of successful vintage boutique Bella Sorella, 25-year-old Lydia is, quite simply, lovely. With plans to marry her co-star boyfriend James ‘Arg’ Argent, 27, you’d be inclined to think she wants big rings and expensive things, but as Now discovered, that couldn’t be further from the truth...

Hi Lydia! We’re excited that you and Arg have talked about marriage being on the cards soon. Are you hoping for a bling ring?

Actually, I’m not really interested in having a £30,000 ring – I’d be happy with a £100 one. I’m not really into diamonds since I watched the film *Blood Diamond*! I’d like my wedding to be quite big, but I’m not really into a massive ring.

Do you think Arg will sing at the wedding?

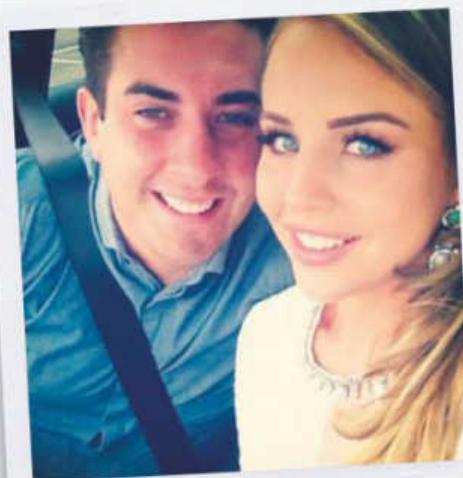
I don’t know. He’s an amazing singer so he’d probably serenade me at some point, I’m sure!

You’ve teamed up with Santander to launch a new banking app, like a digital version of a kitty. Do you and Arg split things equally?

We do actually. We split absolutely everything – even holidays! I think moving forward we’ll buy a property and we’ll both invest the same money.

Ooh, so you’re going to buy a house together?

Yeah, maybe next year. We live at my house – it has two bedrooms and basically I converted the second bedroom into a walk-in dressing room with six wardrobes and a shoe wall. There’s no space for him whatsoever! Luckily, his mum and dad live five minutes from



Lydia’s hinted she wants Arg to propose by the end of the year

me so he can run back and bring day bags for his clothes.

What’s the most expensive thing Arg has ever bought you?

My Manolo Blahniks – they’re the ones that Mr Big proposes to Carrie Bradshaw with in *Sex And The City*. They stopped making them, so he contacted the factory and got them made – they set him back a lot. He buys me good gifts, I’ll give him credit for that!

Aww. Have you ever had a financial crisis?

Let me think... Oh, on my first ever girls holiday when I was 17, I did lose all of my money



The queen of style models her ‘Carrie Bradshaw’ heels from Arg



and I had to get my parents to transfer money to my friend's account. Now when I go away I'm always the organiser, so when I went to Ibiza with Georgia [Kousoulou] and Chloe [Lewis] recently, everyone transferred £500 into my account to book everything and I organised all of the dinners and all of the clubs.

What would you spend your last fiver on?

Oh, I'd spend it on Essex pie, mash and liquor – my favourite meal ever! I think it's just £3.50 for one pie and mash. It's very cheap.

You've got a charity trek to Machu Picchu coming up with Ferne McCann. Are you excited?

Yeah, but I'm very nervous as well. I just got back from Italy on Sunday and I drank so much wine, ate so many carbs and didn't really do much exercise! I've got just less than two weeks to hit it hard



Arg greeted her at the London Triathlon finish line with a bouquet – aww!

MY FAVE MEAL IS PIE & MASH!

at the gym to get myself fit.

You're doing it to raise money for breast cancer awareness charity Coppafeel. Why did you decide to support that cause?

I've had breast cancer in my family. One of my aunts sadly passed away – she was only 42.

I think cancer in general is something that's rife in most people's families. So far we've managed to raise just under £9,000.

Are you going to miss Arg when you're away?

Yeah I will, but it's 10 days so it's not that long and I'm around lots of girls so I'm sure we'll all be chatting and keeping each other company.

Santander's new KiTTi app is available to download for free on iTunes

With her sisters Georgia (left) and Romana



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'We love TO PARTY with drag queens'

Cogglebox's Moffatt family chat fights, wild nights and Madonna

There are many things we love about Gogglebox, but the Moffatt family are definitely top of our list. The banter between mum Betty, 45, dad Mark, 49, and daughter Scarlett, 24, has us in stitches, so we were very happy when they invited us along for a chat...

How well do you really get on?

SCARLETT: Without sounding like The Brady Bunch, we do a lot together. It's really nice because I've been getting all these Tweets from teenagers and girls my age saying that I've made it cool to sit in with your mum and dad.

What are the Moffatt family's favourite moments?

BETTY: Christmas is always a big one because it's all about family and we've got quite big family. In November there'll be five generations.

S: The funniest times are the ones that don't go to plan. Last Christmas was hilarious because

there were 18 of us – the mashed potato was cold by the time it was passed down the table.

MARK: Everyone was sat in different-sized chairs – some could barely see over the table.

S: All the kids were sat on the stairs. It was proper crowded.

Do you ever have any wild nights out?

M: Those two go out together. I'm boring.

S: I really like the gay scene, so Mum and I go to a lot of drag shows as I've got friends who are drag queens. They always get quite crazy. I guess when someone's wearing a PVC bra it's going to get a bit mad!

What do you bicker about?

S: Tidying up. As soon as you put

a cup down in the living room mum's like: 'Have you finished with that? Put it in the kitchen!' It's always stupid stuff like that.

B: It's hard to argue with Scarlett because she always thinks she's right and starts taking the mick and doing impressions of you.

'PEOPLE FALLING OVER IS ALWAYS FUNNY'

Who usually wins your arguments, then?

B&M: Scarlett!

S: Mum will say to me: 'Your shoes are all over the place!' and I'll say: 'Has anyone died though?'

Mark, do you ever feel left out?

M: No, I'm quite happy!

S: We laugh at him a lot. Dad will be sat on the couch and suddenly he'll fall asleep and whack his

head on the back of the sofa. He once went to the doctor because he had all these lumps on his head and he was worried they were tumours, but they were from whacking his head while he was watching TV!



Scarlett can't get enough of that clip of Madge taking a tumble

Do you ever watch funny YouTube videos together?

S: Oh yes! X Factor fails are good.

B: We've got YouTube on the TV, so we watch loads of things like the Top 10 Daft Dog Moments and we'll be crying with laughter.

S: People falling over is funny. In slow-motion.

M: When Madonna fell over at the Brits, Scarlett couldn't stop watching it.

S: It just gets funnier. Even as I think about it now, it's hilarious. The way she just goes down...

B: If you're ever feeling sad, just watch Madonna falling over!

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What's on the box? The family settle in for a night's viewing

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Give summer the cold shoulder with the trend that just won't quit

SHOULDER TOPS

Can't let go of summer? Relaaaax because summer's toppermost top trend has just catapulted itself straight into our winter wardrobes as well.

Much like boho babes Olivia Palermo, Millie Mackintosh and Sienna Miller, 'twould seem the internet itself can't shake off the strapless shoulder top with an array of styles likely to be clogging up an Instagram feed near you. But *why*, you may or may not ask? Unlike most fashion trends, this one bypassed the spring/summer

catwalks altogether, instead sashaying onto the scene when bloggers like Chastity Garner-Valentine (@GarnerStyle) and Amy Jackson (@fashion_jackson) shunned straps altogether.

Fast forward a couple of months and nekkid shoulders are *everywhere*. Sensible enough for day (buh-bye, sweat patches!) and sassy enough for night, it's a go-to for anyone who likes notching up the trends minus any real effort whatsoever. For day: add jeans, à la Olivia P. For night: add jeans and heels, à la Olivia P!

If you *do* want to try harder, look to fashion blogger @GarnerStyle and tuck it into an A-line skirt instead. It'll accentuate your waist, helping you look like a real-life walking, talking human hourglass – pretty sexy stuff. Best of all, if you opt for a 'Bardot' – just search the term on shopstyle.com – you'll bag the sort of hero style that'll *never* date.

One word of caution though: *do* steer clear of those restrictive elasticated styles if you can. Now HQ made that very mistake and rest assured you can wave goodbye to hailing cabs, high-fiving or throwing any real shapes whatsoever. In fact, you can wave goodbye to, er, waving at all.

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2 *THE OTHER WAY Fine, there is another way. If you can't bear to be without bra straps, cheat your way into the trend with New Look's all-rounder.

3 WEAR IT NOW With an A-line skirt or Aztec-style shorts + sandals + a boho basket bag + bonus pompoms.

4 WEAR IT NEXT Add figure-flattering bootcut jeans (or flares if you're feeling extra fash) and round-toe ankle boots when it gets chilly. Bark 'It's 1970s nostalgia' to everyone and you'll be shimmying straight into next season too.

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Modern Family's Ariel

HAS BOOBS REDUCED AT 17

Her 32F chest had left her in agony

Modern Family star Ariel Winter has opened up about why she decided to get her 32F boobs reduced in June. The 17-year-old, who plays Alex Dunphy, says she feels like a new person since going down to a 34D. 'I got it for myself. I can't even really put into words about how amazing it feels to really feel right,' the petite actress explains.

Ariel's big boobs had left her in constant pain and unable to stand up straight. 'I couldn't take the pain,' she says. 'My neck was hurting so bad and I actually had some problems with my spine. I'd been discussing my chest with doctors for many years.'



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On top of that, Ariel hated the attention her chest would get, especially at red carpet events. 'I'd have to wear a dress that was super-tight and form-fitted

everywhere because if I didn't, it didn't look good,' she says. 'Every article that had to do with me on a red carpet was always along the lines of "Ariel

Winter's crazy cleavage!" That's all people would recognise me by, not: "Oh, she does great work on Modern Family."



Ariel with co-stars Ty Burrell and Julie Bowen

DON'T MESS WITH ARIANA!

US TV host Wendy Williams, 51, landed in hot water when she said that 22-year-old Ariana Grande, right, would 'forever look 12. I don't mean in a good way'. Ariana's fans

Tweeted their outrage, with #CancelWendy Williams trending worldwide. Eek!



Taylor's my NBF!

TAYLOR SHARES THE STAGE WITH PRETTY WOMAN

It seems Taylor Swift is pals with er, just about everyone – Hollywood actress Julia Roberts and folk legend Joan Baez being no exception! The 25-year-old singer welcomed the pair into her girl squad when they joined her onstage for a dance in California during her 1989 tour. Taylor wrote on Instagram: "These two women are my heroes... What an honor!"

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Wearing that shade of orange is probably a crime in itself...



Could Caitlyn be donning an orange jumpsuit?

Yikes! Caitlyn Jenner could be ditching LA for a life behind bars. But don't worry – she hasn't committed a crime.

It's rumoured she's set to make a cameo appearance in *Orange Is The New Black*, thanks to her NBF Laverne Cox, 31.

Producers are reportedly angling for Caitlyn, 65, to appear in season four of the prison drama. A source says: 'Laverne thought Caitlyn's story would dovetail nicely with her character Sophia, whose prison pals turned on her last season.'



Laverne hopes to coax Caitlyn into a life of crime

KANYE'S KRAZY PLANE BAN PLAN



Kanye West has made some pretty strange demands in his career but this takes the biscuit: he's reportedly requested a no-fly zone over his California home to ensure privacy for his family! Kanye, 38, hates the paps so much he's starting a petition to stop planes flying over the Hidden Hills area.

A source says: 'Kanye's turned up on the doorsteps of neighbours including Drake, LeAnn Rimes and David Boreanaz asking for their support. He's determined to make this happen. Kanye's all about protecting his wife [Kim Kardashian] and daughter North.'

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Second Stories

Gigi's burger body secret

Model Gigi Hadid has a body to die for – so what's her secret? Well, the 20-year-old says she'll 'eat clean to stay fit – and have a burger to stay sane.' Our kinda girl!



Blake's calm delivery

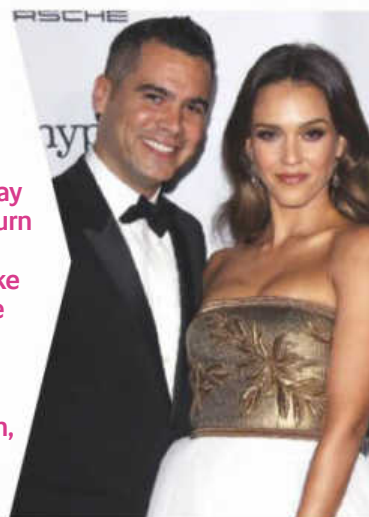
Ryan Reynolds, 38, has revealed that wife Blake Lively, 27, was mega-chilled while giving birth to daughter James. When the doctor's phone went off in the middle of the delivery, she told him: 'Go ahead, take the call.'



Hey baby, stay cool!

Jess's youthful genes

Jessica Alba, 34, may have been sad to turn 30, saying she still wanted 'to party like a rock star', but she definitely doesn't look her age. On a recent date with hubby Cash Warren, 36, she was asked for ID when she ordered a drink!



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Abz credits fiancée Vicky for pulling him back from the brink

Abz Love:

'I THOUGHT DRUGS WOULD KILL ME!'

The former Sive singer talks country living, long johns and ditching bad habits

From topping the charts with boy band Sive to fighting a five-year battle with drugs and drink, it's been a crazy couple of decades for Abz Love (real name Richard Breen). In 2013, the singer, 36, ditched London life to start afresh in the Welsh countryside with his fiancée Vicky Fallon, 31. Now, the pair have let cameras document their rural life.

This is a bit of a change from your boy band days!

Man, I needed to get back with nature, put my feet back on the

earth. I can't be slam-dunking the funk when I'm 40!

What's the hardest part of country life?

Adapting to no wi-fi and the rain. No reception, no service, no one wants to visit you. I have to go up a mountain to Tweet!

Do you wear things like long johns now?

Yeah. I've completely lost my cool – I don't know what cool is any more. I'm tucking everything into my socks, man, cos it's cold and the rain gets in.

You've admitted to turning to drink and drugs after Sive first split in 2001...

I started hanging around with the wrong people. The amount of drugs

I was doing... I remember lying on my bed one night and my heart was just punching through my chest. And I was just like: 'F***, this is scary.' Then Vicky came into my life and pulled me away from all that madness.

How much were you spending on partying?

I'd buy the whole f***ing club a shot. My bills were five or six grand a night and I'd go out three, four times a week. Just big money on silly things.

Has your move to Wales made you and Vicky stronger?

Yeah. It was quite rocky at first when we moved in, but if it weren't for Vicky I'd be screwed.

Is marriage on the cards?

Definitely. But right now it's like, how am I paying for it? I can't exchange wedding seats, chairs, and cake for things I've grown!

Would you like kids one day?

I think I'd f*** the kid up. I've always had Bamm-Bamm in my mind as a kid's name!

You reunited with Sive on The Big Reunion but quit last year via Twitter. What went wrong?

We just had differences of opinion. The communication had kinda broken down, so I just turned to social media. No hassle, no phone calls, no awkward anything.

When did you last speak to them?

On Twitter – that was the last thing I said to them! I asked them to be a part of my show and they declined to be filmed. So I was a little bit hurt.

Will you ever go back to London?

The only thing I miss in London is the restaurants, so nah – unless it all goes bad and I lose a leg while I'm sawing something.

Country Strife: Abz On The Farm is on BBC2 at 9.45pm on Sundays



Abz (centre) with his Sive bandmates, winning an MTV Award in 1998



Sunetra struts her stuff with Brendan on 2014's Strictly

SUNETRA SARKER: 'Strictly's Brendan is like a headmaster!'

Facing the music – and Brendan – on Strictly was scary enough but nothing prepared Casualty's **Sunetra Sarker** for her most dramatic storyline yet

She's been centre stage in one of Casualty's most dramatic storylines for a special double episode to celebrate 30 years of the Beeb's best loved medical drama. Sunetra Sarker, 42, chats to Now about playing a character watched by five million people every Saturday for the best part of seven years, the future of 'Zax' (Zoe and Max) and filming underwater with sexy firemen...

Zoe's having a dramatic time on Casualty, to say the least...

She's been thrown out of her safe mode – she's a blinking fiancée and getting married! It's great to get storylines out of the ordinary.

Why is it such a shock for Zoe to be getting married?

Zoe's a hardcore single girl, so I don't know when she decided she wasn't! Nick Jordan was the first man she ever loved and it didn't work out, so she's very surprised about having feelings for Max. They're from different worlds.

Fans love Zax!

They do! It's unbelievable. There's a minute-by-minute dissection on Twitter while the show's on and then they talk about it for hours after. They say things like: 'Did you see the look Max gave Zoe at the end?' and I think: 'I didn't and I was there!' They're pushing for a happy ending.

Why does Zoe resonate so much with viewers?

I'm representing a working, single older woman who might've missed out on marriage and kids because she's career orientated. It's really important to show these women in a successful

light. Zoe's so forthright and she's got to 40 without marriage and without kids because she's infertile. She has baggage.

What do you think of Zoe after playing her for so long?

My underlying feeling is she's scared of being happy. She's looked after herself so well that now she's on self-destruct mode.

How was it filming the scenes where Zoe nearly drowns?

They came up to me five weeks ago and said: 'Can you swim?' I was like: 'What's this about?' It was about holding my breath and holding the wedding dress

underwater – and of course cameras and music. I was held down by firemen to keep me wet, with my head out of the water obviously!

What was the filming schedule like for the wedding storyline?

We were doing silly hours – 5pm until 5am. Who wants to do that shift on and off for two or three weeks? It had to be by water, with the boat exploding – all in the dead of night when there weren't people passing by. My body clock was all over the place. It was a hell of a lot of work. It was mentally and physically exhausting but really left me appreciating the character I've played for all these years. She's part of my family now – I don't agree with everything she does but I left that episode feeling she might be dead. That was a huge deal for me.



Disaster strikes at Zoe and Max's wedding



**'I'M AN
EXPERT
HOME/
WORK
JUGGLER'**

How do you switch off from that?

I like a good massage and some yoga. Friends will always keep me grounded. Spending time with my son Noah helps me switch off – I'm a football mum. He's a goalie but oh my word, it truly is one of the worst positions. The injuries he's had as a 10-year-old! I play a pretend doctor but I don't half have to use some of my knowledge to treat his cuts and bruises. He's in a goalkeeping academy and going for trials. You get football homework now – written theory. But it's great.

Sounds like you've got your hands full!

My calendar's crazy – you can imagine what it was like with *Strictly*, too, last year – but I have a childminder, my parents come down from Liverpool at the drop of a hat, Noah's dad [Nick Corfield] helps out and my partner Scott [Carey, 43],

who also has kids, helps too.

What do you find most difficult?

You have to be very organised, especially filming night shifts. You get used to it and just before you go to bed you learn lines. I'm dipping in and out of work mode



Cosying up with Strictly pals Jennifer and Judy plus Jennifer's hubby Brendan O'Carroll

all the time. It's not just turning up and performing – you've got to know everything at home's OK.

Are you still dancing after *Strictly*?

I wish! I only enjoyed the ballroom, which was a massive surprise because I thought I was a disco diva. Turns out I'm an old-school traditional dancer. I can't wait to see who's on this year! The celebs are in for a shock, let me tell you.

What was the best thing about the show?

The sisterhood. The girls are in touch every day. Judy Murray's becoming a grandma and we got to watch her boys at Wimbledon, while Jenny Gibney's become such a good friend – we went to Florida to see her and her husband Brendan O'Carroll at Christmas.

Was your partner Scott worried about you foxtrotting off with someone else, given *Strictly*'s reputation for affairs?

I don't think there's space for a romance – you're up against the clock. Brendan [Cole] was like a headmaster! I walked straight into the strictest regime.

Did you ever meet your fellow Liverpudlian Cilla Black?

Yes, once. She was so iconic in Liverpool. I was in the city when the news broke that she'd died and it was a really big deal. We lost a national treasure. For me she was at the forefront of TV – the first woman who had her own empire.

Casualty is on BBC1 at 8.50pm on Saturdays



As Zoe with co-star Jamie Davis, who plays Max

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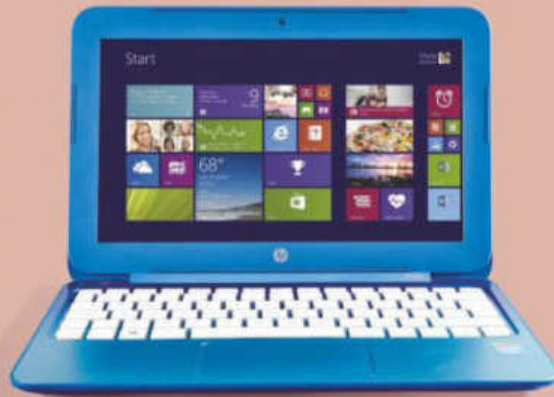
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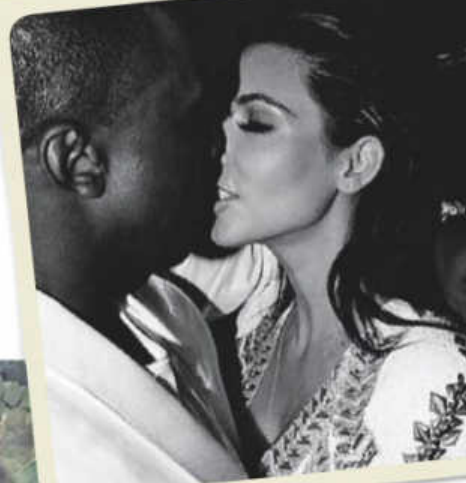
Instapix of the week

Fun, filtered and far too revealing
— the lives of the stars on
social media



POSH PICNIC PALS

Check out Gwyneth Paltrow and her Iron Man co-star Robert Downey Jr living it up in the Hamptons.



SUNBAE SELFIE
'Sunbae,' Kim Kardashian posted, then explained: '(Sunday + bae).' Yeah, we got that!



TEAM NEWLYWED HIT VENICE

Peter Andre made sure wife Emily MacDonagh celebrated her 26th birthday in style by whisking her off to Italy for a romantic break. Aww, Peeeeder.



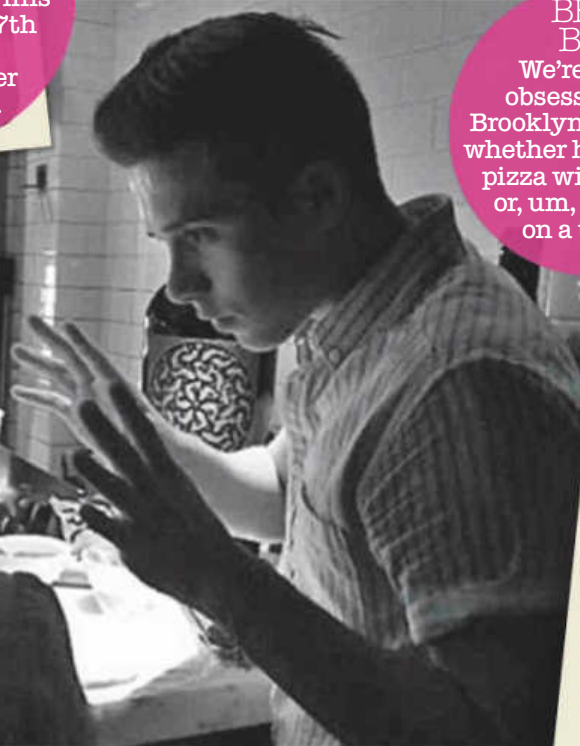
TOTAL QUEENS

RuPaul's Drag Race fave Delta Work helped Rumer Willis celebrate her 27th birthday by singing Rumer Has It to her.



AWKWARD...

'Meth and red man tonight', Tweeted Zayn Malik — no, not a dodgy cocktail but a gig by rappers Method Man and Redman. Phew.



BEST BRO

We're pretty obsessed with Brooklyn Beckham, whether he's making pizza with Harper or, um, standing on a table...



SERIES 1 2004

Runners-up
G4

WINNER STEVE BROOKSTEIN

He was the show's first victor, but just eight months after his first – and only – No1 single, Steve was dropped by his record label and ended up playing gigs on ferries and in coffee shops. Last year, he released his bitter book *Getting Over The X*, in which he claimed Sinitta had tried to seduce him, while his aptly titled album *Forgotten Man* failed to chart.

ROWETTA SATCHELL

The Happy Mondays singer battled a drinking problem on reality TV show *Rehab* in 2009, before landing a DJ slot on radio station Gaydio.



The operatic boy band secured a £1.5m recording contract, releasing three albums before they split in 2007. Lead tenor Jonathan Ansell went solo and appeared on *Celebrity Come Dine With Me*. The lads have now reformed and tour the UK in September.



Rowetta's currently back touring with the Happy Mondays

Do you remember?

● Presenter Kate Thornton was sacked in 2007, vowing 'never to talk to Simon Cowell again'. She's since hosted *Loose Women* and has retrained as a therapist.

SERIES 2 2005

Runner-up ANDY ABRAHAM

Despite his album *The Impossible Dream* entering the charts at No2, the ex-bin man finished in last place while representing the UK at Eurovision in 2008. He recently starred on stage in *Godspell*.



WINNER SHAYNE WARD

His debut single *That's My Goal* hit No1 but Shayne was axed from his label in 2011. He went on to star in *Rock Of Ages* and has now joined the cast of *Corrie*.

BRENDA EDWARDS



The semi-finalist has appeared in *Chicago* and *We Will Rock You* in the West End, while her son Jamal has become a millionaire broadcaster.



Brenda's son Jamal, with Fearne Cotton, is a success too

CHICO SLIMANI

The Welsh-Moroccan former goatherd toppled Madonna from the top of the charts with *It's Chico Time*. Reality TV then beckoned – *CelebAir*, *Dancing On Ice* – and in 2009 he announced he'd co-written a film based on his life called *Chico's Lunchbox*. Yes, really.



Do you remember?

- Chenai Zinyuk features on the latest *Chemical Brothers* album.
- Maria Lawson became the face of lingerie brand *Brastop* in 2011.
- Journey South's Carl Pemberton is now a guitar teacher.

THE Where



As the show returns for a 12th series, we look back through the years and reveal the

SERIES 3 2006



Runner-up **RAY QUINN**

The teen crooner's debut album *Doing It My Way* topped the charts, but he was dropped by his record label seven months later. In 2009, he won *Dancing On Ice* before starring on stage in *Grease* and *Dirty Dancing*.



Ray played *Grease*'s Danny Zuko in the West End

KERRY MCGREGOR

After breaking her back when she was 13 years old, Kerry sailed through to the live rounds, where she was mentored by Sharon Osbourne. Sadly, in 2012 Kerry died after a two-year battle with bladder cancer, aged just 37.



BEN MILLS

After finishing up in third place, the long-haired singer's debut album *Picture Of You* hit No 3 in the charts, but plans for a single were pulled at the last minute. Ben now gigs on the holiday camp/cruise ship circuit and performs as part of a Rod Stewart tribute act.

Do you remember?

- Eton Road singer Anthony Hannah has recently been linked to former TOWIE star Harry Derbidge. Shuuuut up!
- Afro-haired Ashley McKenzie's 6ft boa constrictor escaped and went on a rampage near his Kent home in 2008.

WINNER **LEONA LEWIS**

The show's first global superstar, Leona's single *Bleeding Love* hit No 1 in both the UK and the US, while she sang for four billion people at 2008's Beijing Olympics. She left Simon Cowell's record label Syco last year but her comeback track *Fire Under My Feet* only hit No 51. Her new album *I Am* is out next month.



Leona with mentor Simon Cowell, whose label she left last year after a 'breakdown in communications'

FACTOR are they now?

stars who are still shining bright and the acts whose albums ended up in the bargain bin

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THE X FACTOR

Where are they now?

SERIES 4 2007



WINNER LEON JACKSON

After performing with Kylie Minogue on the show, Leon had a Christmas No 1 with *When You Believe*, but was dropped by Syco in 2009. The Scottish star still writes songs and gigs.

Leon's Facebook page shows him stubbly and posing with horses



SAME DIFFERENCE

The cheesy brother-and-sister duo, who finished third, were described by Simon Cowell as 'two of the most annoying people I've ever met'. They released an album *Pop* and now play holiday camps and teach youngsters to sing and dance.

Runner-up RHYDIAN ROBERTS

The white-haired Welshman's debut album *Rhydian* went double platinum in 2008, but five years on he was flogging locks of his hair to help him fund a fifth album. It must have worked because *One Day Like This* topped classical charts last year.



Rhydian's also starred in musicals including *The Rocky Horror Show*

SERIES 5 2008



WINNER ALEXANDRA BURKE

After lighting up the X Factor stage with Beyoncé and scoring a No 1 with *Hallelujah*, she topped the singles charts twice more, before taking the lead in West End musical *The Bodyguard* last year.



EOGHAN QUIGG

Eoghan stunned everyone with his buff new physique in 2012 and last year competed to represent Ireland at Eurovision, finishing second with *The Movie Song*.

Do you remember?

- Ruth Lorenzo represented her native Spain in Eurovision last year, finishing 10th.
- Diana Vickers topped the charts with *Once*, but has since turned to West End musicals.
- Daniel Evans now lives in Spain, posting covers to his YouTube channel.

Runners-up JLS



The boys ended up selling over 10 million records and racking up a £24 million fortune, before splitting in 2013. Marvin Humes is now a presenter on *The Voice* and has co-hosted *This Morning* with his Saturdays wife Rochelle, while JB Gill has appeared on *The Jump* and *Celebrity MasterChef*. Aston Merrygold's solo album is out in October and Oritsé Williams now goes by the name OWS and won dance show *Stepping Out* with girlfriend AJ Azari.

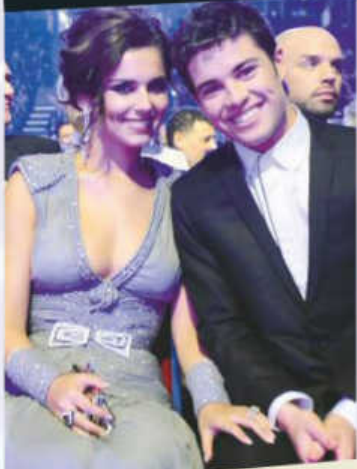


JB, who also runs his own farm, was a contestant on *Celebrity MasterChef* last year



Marvin and wife Rochelle welcomed daughter Alaia-Mai in May 2013

SERIES 6 2009



WINNER **JOE McELDERRY**

Simon Cowell predicted Joe, mentored by fellow Geordie Cheryl Fernandez-Versini, would be 'the new Zac Efron', but within 18 months Joe had lost his £1 million record deal and moved back in with his mum. However, he's scored three Top 10 albums and has won reality shows Popstar To Operastar and The Jump.



Joe won the first series of The Jump in 2014



Runner-up **OLLY MURS**

He may not have been crowned champ, but Olly's notched up four No 1s and three multi-platinum albums. Unlike his hero Robbie Williams, with whom he sang on the show, he's managed to crack America, too. This year he returns to The X Factor to host alongside Caroline Flack.



Do you remember?

● Former One True Voice singer Daniel Pearce has sung on two No 1 hits – Dizzee Rascal's *Dirtee Disco* and Sigma's *Nobody to Love*.

● Jamie Afro has been recording material in Bali.

● Lucie Jones was in an episode of *Midsomer Murders*.



STACEY SOLOMON

It took Dagenham mum Stacey a whopping six years to release her debut album, but Shy Rascal's scraped into the Top 50 in April. During that time, Stacey has won *I'm A Celebrity – Get Me Out Of Here!*, fronted Iceland ads and judged *Top Dog Model*. She's just split with Jackass star Steve-O, who she met while appearing on *The Jump*, after a six-month romance.



Stacey was queen of the *I'm A Celeb* jungle in 2010

JEDWARD

Skyscraper-quiffed Grimes twins John and Edward defied all logic to become one of the most successful *X Factor* acts. They've represented Ireland at Eurovision, met President Obama, had their own CBBC show *Jedward's Big Adventure*, finished third on *Celeb BB* and scored a big European hit with *Lipstick*. They even cameo in the film *Sharknado 3*.



Jedward entertained us in the *Celebrity Big Brother House* in 2011

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SERIES 7 2010



WINNER MATT CARDLE

Ex-painter and decorator Matt has released three albums, scored a No 1 single with When We Collide and duetted with Mel C. However, problems with booze and alcohol lead him to The Priory on Boxing Day 2013. Now back on top form, he's starring in Memphis The Musical with Beverley Knight.



CHER LLOYD

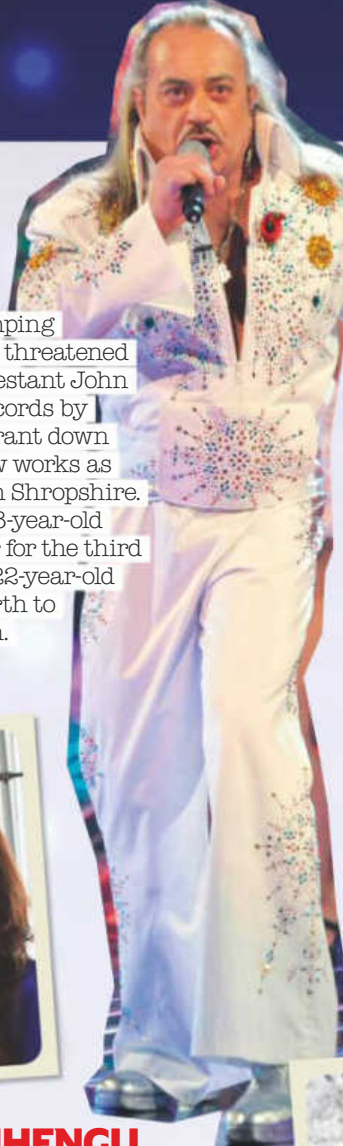
Cher hit No 1 with her single Swagger Jagger in 2011 but toned down her bling image for the US, where she's had major success. She recovered from being pelted with bottles of wee at 2012's V Festival to release album Sorry I'm Late last year. Cher, who married Craig Monk in 2013, enjoys knitting and has recorded a song with Ne-Yo to promote ice lollies.



Cher teamed up with Ne-Yo on 2013 track It's All Good

WAGNER

The bongo-thumping Brazilian – who threatened to damage contestant John Adeleye's vocal cords by spraying deodorant down his throat – now works as a tattoo artist in Shropshire. Last year, the 58-year-old became a father for the third time, when his 22-year-old partner gave birth to daughter Lillian.



Do you remember?

- Runner-up Rebecca Ferguson's album Lady Sings The Blues hit the Top 10 earlier this year.
- Tesco worker Mary Byrne has written her memoirs and had three Top 10 albums in Ireland.



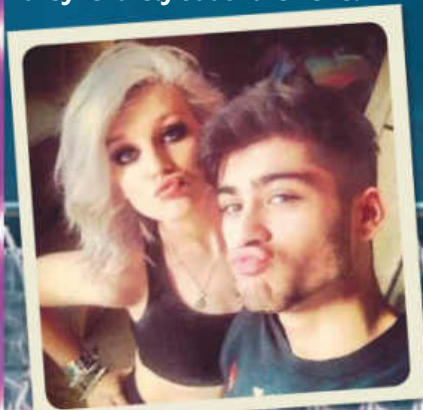
GAMU NHENGU

Gamu feared deportation to Zimbabwe when she wasn't put through to the finals, but after a petition to reinstate her, the courts granted her the right to stay in the UK.



WINNERS LITTLE MIX

Assembled by Tulisa, the first group to win The X Factor have enjoyed chart success across the globe, with latest single Black Magic their third No 1. Meanwhile Perrie Edwards' recent split from Zayn Malik means they're rarely out of the news.



SERIES 8



ONE DIRECTION

They came third – but come on, do you really need us to explain what 1D are doing now?



KATIE WAISSEL

Kooky Katie riled the public by frequently escaping the chop. Her 2011 album flopped, while her marriage to male model Brad Alphonso lasted a mere two months. Now living in LA, she recently slammed ex-mentor Cheryl as 'disgusting'.



Katie wed model Brad in 2012

CHLOE MAFIA

Branded 'Britain's biggest chav', Chloe was let go at boot camp and seemed destined to slip into obscurity. But in May, it was revealed she's now a millionaire living in a California mansion, thanks to her webcam business, which makes £1 million a year, and modelling for mags such as Playboy.



ES 8 2011

Do you remember?

- Johnny Robinson performs in gay clubs and dressed up in drag for recent single Eaten Alive.
- Northern Irish teen Janet Devlin has performed for the Dalai Lama and at Gaelic football matches.
- Liverpoolian runner-up Marcus Collins is now starring in musical Kinky Boots. He lives with his boyfriend, former Strictly dancer Robin Windsor.

FRANKIE COCOZZA

Booted off after stupid cocaine boasts, Frankie then came second on Celeb BB. By 2014 he was asking fans to pledge £750 to have their names tattooed on his bum. He's now in Brighton-based band The Telescreen and is apparently collaborating with Britain's most notorious prisoner Charles Bronson.



KITTY BRUCKNELL

After attempting to represent both Switzerland and Moldova at Eurovision (without much luck), the ex-Lady Gaga tribute act is set to release an album of classic Broadway songs later this year.



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Where are they now?

SERIES 9 2012

WINNER

JAMES ARTHUR

Debut single Impossible was the fastest-selling X Factor winner's single ever, while his self-titled album has sold 1.25 million copies. But homophobic lyrics and foolish Twitter spats resulted in James leaving Simon's Syco label. After battling anxiety and depression, he's now planning to release a 'therapeutic album'.



ELLA HENDERSON

The Grimsby lass was just 16 when she took to the X Factor stage. Since then, her debut single Ghost and album Chapter One have both gone to No 1 and given her hits in the US, too. She's just finished supporting Take That on tour.



RYLAN CLARK

He may not have had the best singing voice, but Rylan was TV gold. Within months of the show, he'd won Celeb BB and is now hosting Big Brother's Bit On The Side with Emma Willis. He got engaged to boyfriend Dan Neal last year.



Runner-up

JAHMENE DOUGLAS

Jahméne hit No 1 with covers album Love Never Fails in 2013 and has transformed his image for the follow-up later this year. The ex-Asda worker sang on the store's 2014 Christmas ad - and they once sold a 'Chicken Jahméne' in his honour.



TV's golden boy!

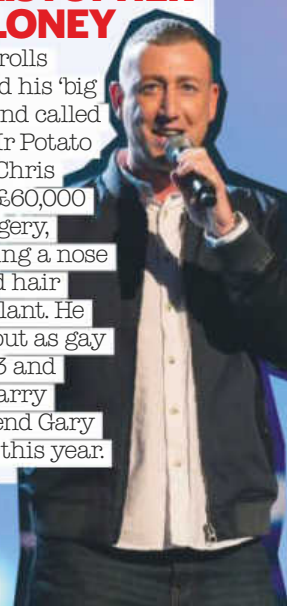


LUCY SPRAGGAN

Lucy fell into depression after The X Factor but thankfully, she's since bounced back with two Top 20 albums. She got engaged to girlfriend Georgina Gordon earlier this year.

CHRISTOPHER MALONEY

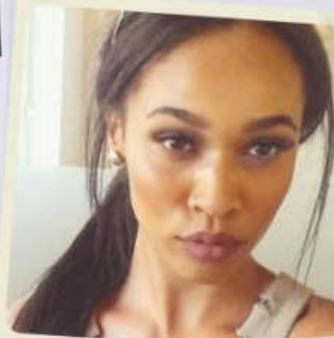
After trolls mocked his 'big nose' and called him 'Mr Potato Head', Chris spent £60,000 on surgery, including a nose job and hair transplant. He came out as gay in 2013 and will marry boyfriend Gary Doran this year.



SERIES 10 2013

WINNER SAM BAILEY

The 36-year-old ex-prison officer bagged No 1s with single Skyscraper and album Power Of Love. She went from supporting Beyoncé to performing at Hartlepool's Mecca bingo hall after she split from Simon's record label Syco, but is now working on new material with A1's Ben Adams.



Do you remember?

- Tamera Foster has signed a deal with Syco and is recording in LA with super-producer Naughty Boy.
- Dreadlocked Luke Friend had a Top 40 hit with Hole in My Heart.
- Hipster boy band Kingsland Road are trying to fund a new album. For £10 they'll follow you on Instagram.
- Runner-up Nicholas McDonald's album In The Arms Of An Angel reached No 6 last year.



SERIES 11 2014



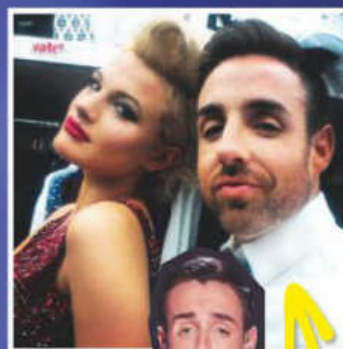
WINNER BEN HAENOW

The surprise winner of last year's show nabbed the Xmas No 1 with Something I Need. Signing to Syco on his 30th birthday, the former van driver from Croydon has been recording material in LA and posting photos of the Pacific on Twitter. His debut album follows later this year. We can't wait!



STEVIE RITCHIE

Could the first X Factor wedding be on the cards? Over-25s wild card Stevie announced his engagement to fellow contestant Chloe-Jasmine Whichello in July, saying: 'She's beautiful - I'm the runt of the litter,' and adding that their sex life is 'magical'. TMI, Stevil.



Do you remember?

- Operatic Italian Andrea Faustini was the bookies' favourite to win but finished third. He's since been in LA recording his debut album which goes by the unlikely title Kelly. It's out now.



The X Factor returns on ITV at 8pm on 29 August



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DAY 1

Mini Obstacle Course

In a garden or park, lay out some items for your child to crawl through, climb over, or wriggle around, such as a large open cardboard box or a pile of picnic blankets. More than one child? Make it a race!



DAY 2

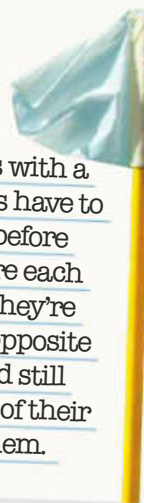
Ball Fun

Using various sizes of balls, set your kid a few challenges. How many times can they throw the ball to you without dropping it? Can they hit the ball against a wall and catch it? Set a timer to make it even trickier!

DAY 3

Capture The Flag

Small groups form two teams with a flag. Both teams have to hide their flag, before trying to capture each other's flags. If they're 'tagged' by the opposite team, they stand still until a member of their team 'untags' them.



DAY 4

Easy Rounders

Mark out a rough circle with four markers. Form two teams: one batting, one fielding. The bowler bowls, and if the batter hits the ball he runs round the markers to score a rounder. If a fielder 'taps' a marker, the runner stays there until the next batter's go.

DAY 5

Hopscotch

Chalk a Hopscotch pattern of single and double squares on the ground and mark them 1-10. Throw a stone into Square 1, then hop through the squares, putting both feet down on the doubles and turning around in Square 10. The stone's thrown into Square 2 and the game's repeated.



11 Things you didn't know about

Rachel Bilson

'I got drugs and alcohol out of my system'

The Hart Of Dixie and OC star was a rebellious teen before finding fame

Her mum has an unusual job

Rachel's mum Janice Stango works as a sex therapist. Italian-American Janice, who was raised a Catholic, works with couples and individuals who have sexual problems. Rachel followed a career path more like her father Danny's – he's a screenwriter and director who's worked on films such as *The Rocketeer*.

She's an honorary Brit!

Rachel's paternal great-grandad George was born in Leeds, but he didn't stick around in the UK for long. He moved to the US, where he ran the movie trailer department at production company RKO, sparking the showbiz bug in the Bilson family.

Wild years

Rachel admits she hung out with 'not the best group of guys' during her teens. In a 2014 interview, she reminisced about her tearaway years and said that partying early helped keep her on the straight and narrow when she found fame as Summer Roberts in *The OC*. 'I grew up in LA... I went to the clubs and did all the drugs and alcohol. I got it out of my system so by the time I joined *The OC*, I was like: "Wow, I can just enjoy this," she revealed.

The OC inspired her fashion range

The actress approached DKNY to collaborate on a



Rach has Italian blood from her mother's side



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✦ fashion line because she knew fans of The OC 'love DKNY'. She released her collection – named Edie Rose after her grandmother and a close family friend – in 2008.

Her dad encouraged her to quit school

Rachel originally planned to become a teacher. She attended Grossmont College in San Diego for a year before dropping out to pursue acting. Surprisingly, it was her dad who advised her to quit school to follow her dreams.

Rach wasn't first choice for her role in Jumper

Film director Doug Liman texted Rachel while she was filming the last series of The OC in 2007 asking her to fly to Toronto the next day to audition for the part of Millie Harris after deciding his original choice, Aussie actress Teresa Palmer, was too young. It worked out pretty well for Rach as it was on that film she met boyfriend Hayden Christensen!

Near-death experience

Aged 14, Rachel spent two days in a coma after a car she and her friends were in crashed on California's Pacific Coast Highway. Her forehead was cut by a shard of broken windscreen and she still has a scar. She also suffers memory loss, revealing: 'Friends will say: "Remember when we were at this or that place?" And I have absolutely no recollection at all.'



Rachel met her partner Hayden on the set of Jumper in 2007



Dad Danny encouraged her to follow in his showbiz footsteps

A star on Instagram

Instead of posting an endless stream of selfies like many celebs, Rachel kept away from Instagram until earlier this year. Her first photo was an arty shot of a coffee table book and she's followed it up with a selection of stylish snaps of her shoes, the LA landscape and vintage postcards.



She's a big fan – bet her fave flavour's orange

Living in the family heirloom

At the height of her fame in 2004, Rachel lived in a Hollywood condo that's been in her family for two generations. 'My gran lived there, then my aunt, and now me,' she said. 'It's such a comfy feeling.'

Bargainous make-up bag secrets

Rachel says she loves to stock up on cheap beauty treats. Her faves are Lip Smacker lip balm, mascara by Maybelline and white eyeliner from US brand Wet'n'Wild.

Rap it up!

As well as her acting credentials, Rachel's a big hip-hop fan and says she can rap every word of Snoop Dogg's 1993 track Ain't No Fun (If The Homies Can't Have None)!



At 22, she was cast as Summer in The OC with (from left) Adam Brody, Mischa Barton and Ben McKenzie

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The girl knows how to do Insta

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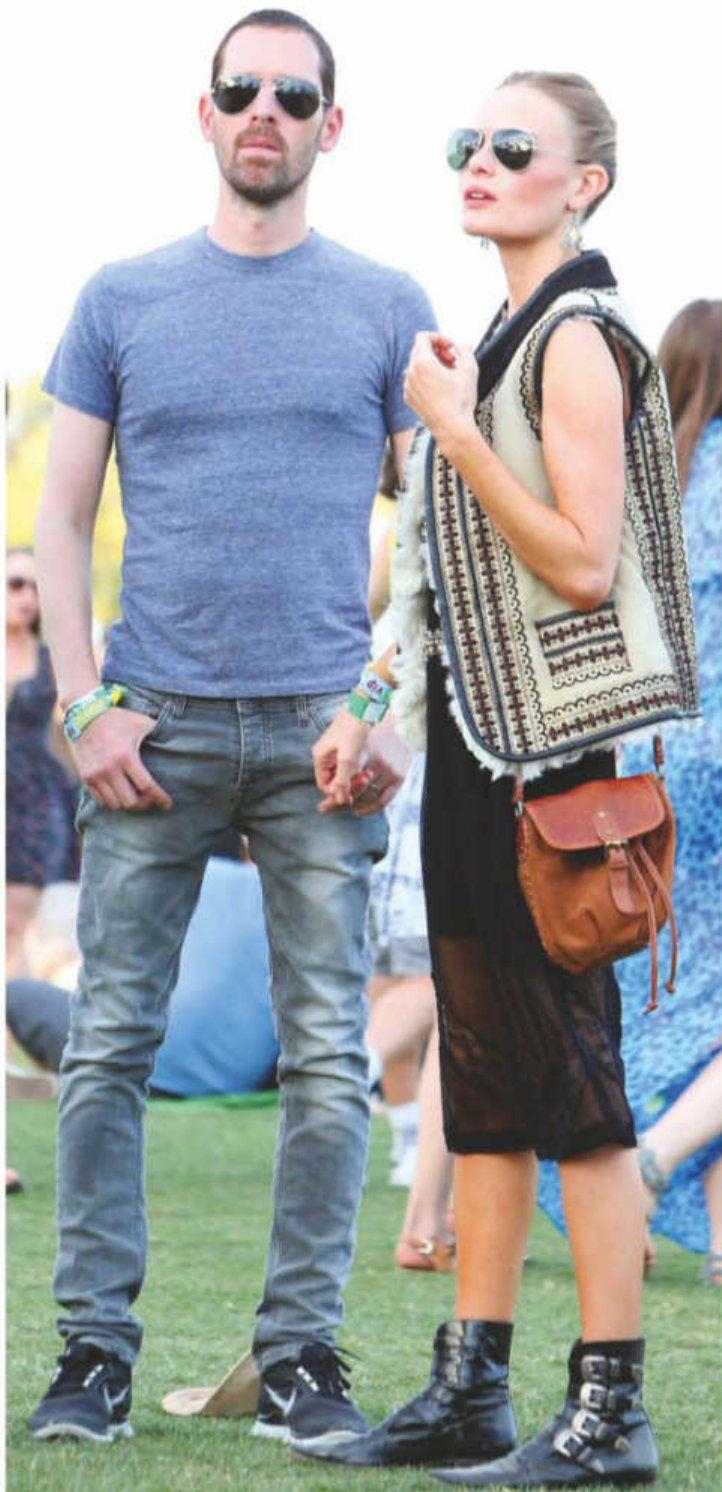
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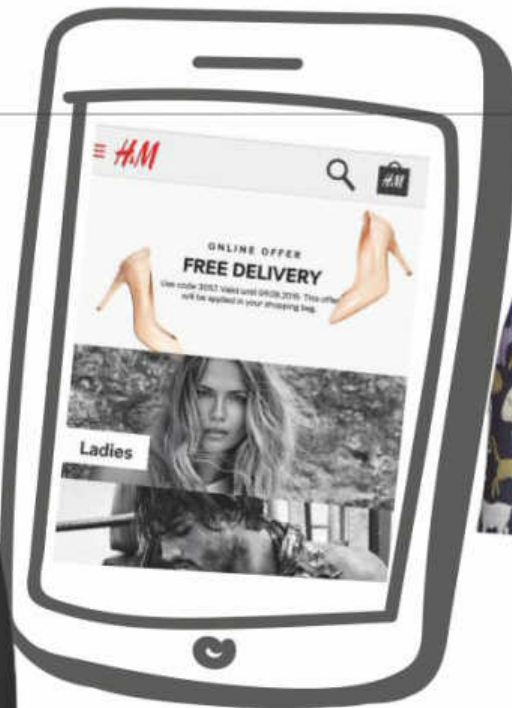
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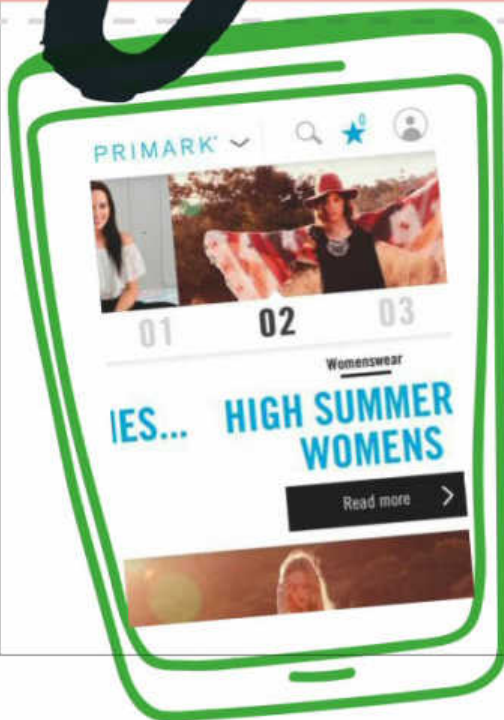
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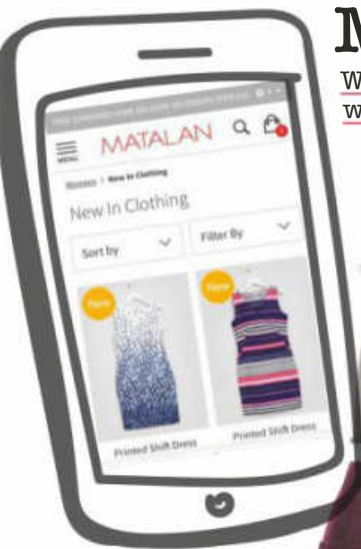


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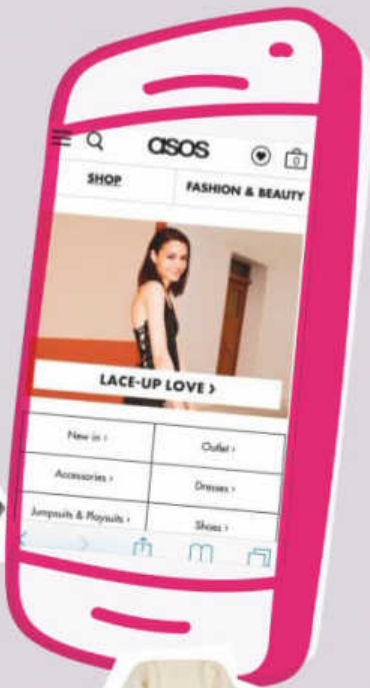
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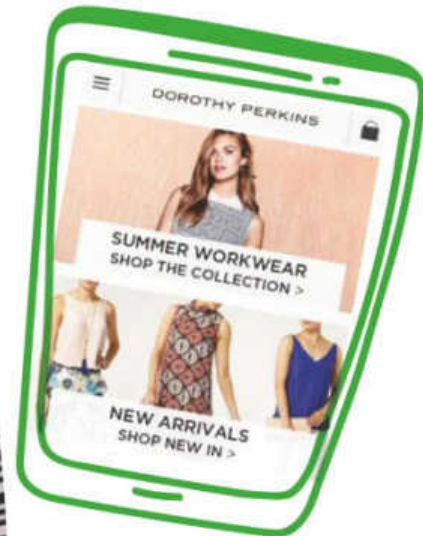
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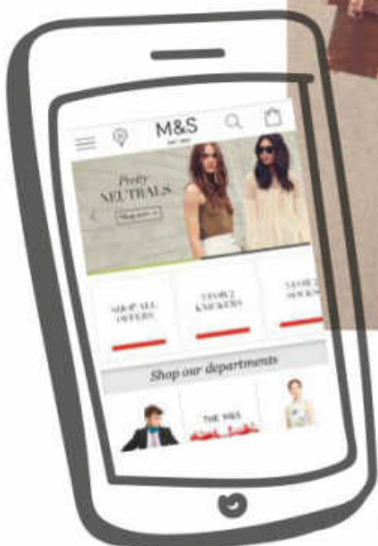
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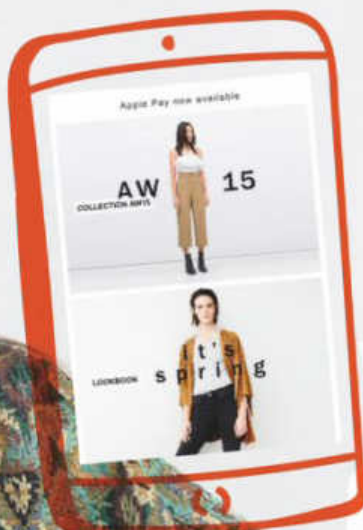
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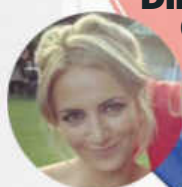
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Our fave UK fashion brands have branched out into make-up – but is it any good? Now's Glam Squad finds out...

THE BLUSHERS



TESTER: Freelance style editor Lydia Thompson

- 1. Accessorize Make Me Blush! in Berry, £5**
You'll need a few applications for the best finish. Also looks great in Peach and Pink. ★★★
- 2. Next Make Me Beautiful Perfect Cheeks Blusher, £8**
Adds warmth and highlights. Apply rosy tones first then lighter shades across top of cheekbones for more definition. ★★★★★
- 3. Primark PS Love... Cream Blush, £2** So pigmented even Aunt Sally would need to be careful applying this blusher – a little definitely goes a long way! ★★★
- 4. Marks & Spencer Autograph Twist-up Cheeks Blusher in Soft Coral, £9.50** Lovely consistency and quite creamy, yet dries in matt form. Very soft and blendable. ★★★★★
- 5. New Look Pure Colour Baked Blusher in Pink, £6.99** Feels really smooth, but there's too much shimmer for me. ★★
- 6. H&M Pure Velvet Cream Blusher in Hot Pink, £6.99** The pigment's so strong, it's another blush you don't want to apply too much of – it really packs a punch! ★★★★★

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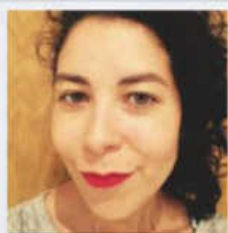


TESTER: Acting Deputy Content Editor Caroline Millington

- 1. New Look Pure Colour Dip Eyeliner in Black, £3.99**
This one is easy to use and water-resistant, so long-lasting. But it did smudge. ★★★★★
- 2. Marks & Spencer Autograph Quick Dry Eye Liner Pen in Black, £7.50**
Perfect for creating feline flicks. Fail-proof application and it's super-long-lasting. ★★★★★
- 3. Accessorize Eye Lover in Black, £5**
Feels high-end, with a delicate applicator for subtle lines. Easy to use and water resistant, but smudges easily. ★★★★★
- 4. Primark PS Love... Liquid Eyeliner in Black, £2** Comes with a surprisingly easy to use brush for a smooth line. It's long-lasting, too. My fave. ★★★★★

LO HIGH FEET!

THE LIPPIES



TESTER: Freelance
writer Sophia Zagzoule

1. New Look Pure Colour Lipstick in Sunset Red, £3.99 A matt shade that smooths on nicely. Leaves a little staining around the edges, though. ★★★★★

2. Accessorize Love Lips Lipstick in Red, £5

A stand-out red, which feels like a balm on application. A matt finish, with minimal staining. ★★★

3. Marks & Spencer Autograph Ultra-Rich Colour Twist-Up Lipstick in Nude Pink, £9.50

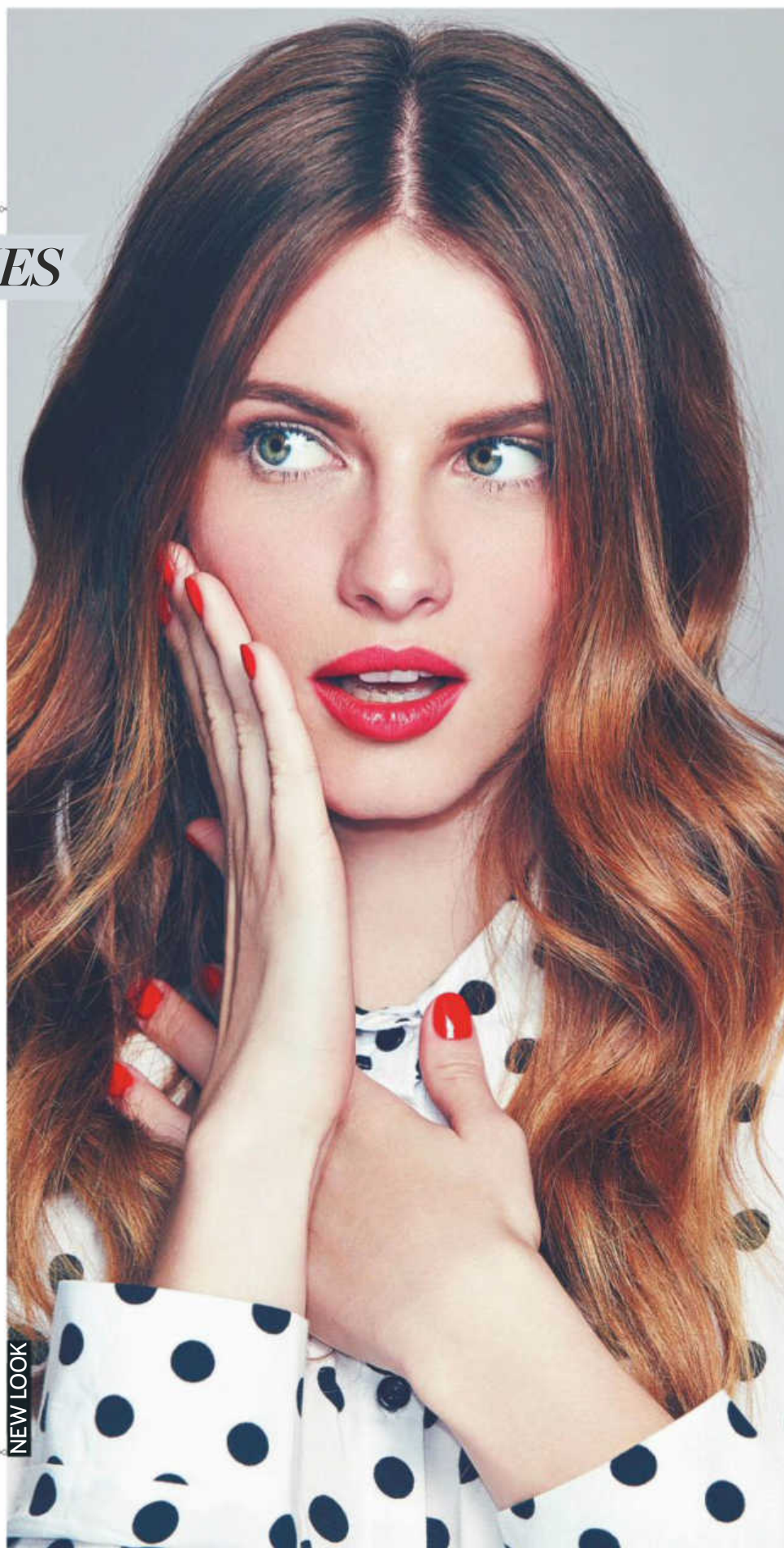
Great colour but takes a couple of applications and isn't long-lasting. ★★★

4. Next Make Me Beautiful Lipstick in Classic Red, £8

A rich shade. Thick and moisturising, with a shiny finish. ★★★★★

5. Primark PS Love... Deep Colour Ultra Shine Lipstick in #47, £1

Quite a waxy finish, but great intense colour and shine. ★★★



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THE BRONZERS



1. Marks & Spencer Autograph Pure Luxe Bronzing Powder, £15 Definitely the easiest of the bunch to apply, this is one for neat freaks. It gives more of a reddish blush than a golden glow, though. ★★★

2. New Look Pure Colour Baked Bronzer, £6.99 After a quick test on a bit of tissue paper, you might be put off at first – it's super-sparkly. But once applied to the skin, it appears softer and a lot more golden. Works best with tanned or olive complexions. ★★★

3. Next Make Me Beautiful Perfect Cheeks Bronzer, £8 Pinch the bristles of your bronzing brush to apply this product in stages. Use the darker shades to contour and the lighter ones to 'strobe' where the light naturally falls. Nice, but too shimmery for me. ★★★★★

4. Accessorize Wild Bronzer in Light Tan, £7 This bronzer adds a subtle flash of colour. It's very powdery, so expect a few sprinkles on your dressing table during application. But once on, you'll be impressed with its staying power. ★★★★★

TESTER: Fashion intern
Rowena Kinghorn

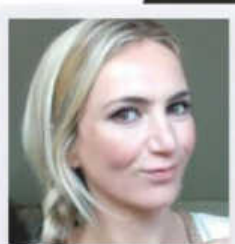
THE MASCARAS

1. Marks & Spencer Autograph Neverending Lashes Lengthening Mascara in Black, £10 The super-skinny wand wiggles pigment on perfectly, making it easy to coat the inner corners, too. You're left with doll-like lashes. ★★★★★

2. Primark PS Love... Volumising Ultra Black Mascara £2 The colossal wand = maximum impact, but the formula's a bit clumpy. ★★★

3. Accessorize Magic Eyelashes Mascara in Black, £9 Lengthens, curls and moisturises. In fact, it gives such a boost you won't know where your lashes end and your eyebrows begin! ★★★★★

4. New Look Pure Colour Volumising Mascara in Black, £4.99 The wiggle-wand is curved for maximum volume and the pigment's deliciously dark. However, for me, it goes on a tad too thick. ★★★



TESTER: Style Content
Director Gilly Ferguson



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THE BROWS

TESTER: Showbiz Content
Writer Lucy Gornall

1. Marks & Spencer Autograph High Definition Eyebrow Kit in Medium Brown, £12.50

OMG! The colour goes on amazingly well and you'll notice a real difference. It also comes with a little square of wax to hold your brows in shape. ★★★★★

2. Primark PS Love... Brow Kit, £2

The different shades of brown help you to achieve the perfect colour match. Plus you can pluck away strays with the handy tweezers. ★★★★★

3. Accessorize Tame Me Brow Shaper, £7

The colours are subtle and easy to blend. Add the fixing gel and you've got perfect brows. ★★★★★

4. New Look Pure Definition Eyebrow Pencil in Dark Brown, £1.99

The colour goes on smoothly, but it's not rich enough to make a real difference. ★★★

5. Next Make Me Beautiful Perfect Brows Eyebrow Palette, £7.50

Comes with a fab applicator and two shades of brown. Glides on! ★★★★★

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THE CONCEALERS

1. Accessorize Hide & Conceal Me Concealer in Natural, £7

Contains three different shades of cream concealer as well as one liquid formula, so it's amazing for creating the perfect shade and different levels of consistency. ★★★

2. Marks & Spencer Autograph Ultimate Wear Long-Lasting Concealer in Light, £7

This lightweight, creamy concealer provides great coverage. It has a chiselled tip for smooth application, even reaching into the inner corners of your eyes. It lasts well, even on hot, sunny days. ★★★★★

3. H&M Cover-up Concealer in Amber, £4.99 A little goes a long way, making this clever wand even more of a bargain. The creamy texture means it's easy to blend and the mini brush helps tackle blemishes and problem areas. ★★★★★

4. Primark PS Love... Concealer Stick in Medium, 8Op It might be super-cheap, but it hides blemishes in an instant. It's just a shame the stick is so small – it's lipstick-sized – and it's too thick to give a smooth finish. ★★

5. New Look Pure Colour Liquid Concealer in Light Beige, £3.99

A highlighter and concealer in one, this fabulous formula adds lift and banishes eye bags. It's the high street version of YSL's Touche Éclat. ★★★★★

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THE EYESHADOWS

1. Accessorize Boho Gem Make Up Palette, £12

Huge colour selection, but lacks intensity. You need to layer up to create deep colour. ★★★

2. New Look Pure Colour Eyeshadow Palette in Nude Mix, £4.99 Perfect for a smoky eye look, but wears off quickly. ★★★★★

3. Marks & Spencer Autograph Pure Colour Eyeshadow Palette, £15 The colour goes on so well and blends perfectly. I love the fact it stays on all day! ★★★★★

4. Next Make Me Beautiful Eye Palette, £10 Fantastic at creating a natural or smoky look. Defines eyes and has great depth and staying power! ★★★★★

5. H&M High Impact Eye Colour in Kobai Azalea, £4.99 WOW! This is a bright shade but if you're daring enough, it creates great depth of colour and stays put. ★★★

6. Primark PS Love... 8 Shade Night Eyeshadow Palette, £2.50

These are all matt in texture so it's difficult to create depth and there's no staying power. ★★★



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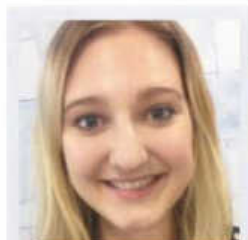
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THE FOUNDATIONS

1. Primark PS Liquid Foundation in Light, £2.50 Easy on, but needs topping up mid-day. ★★★

2. Marks & Spencer Autograph Illuminating Touch Radiance Foundation in Ivory, £12.50 A creamy formula that conceals better than you'd expect. ★★★

3. New Look Pure Colour Liquid Foundation in Beige, £4.99 Gives great coverage and is available in a wide range of shades. It's just a shame it doesn't have an SPF. ★★★★★



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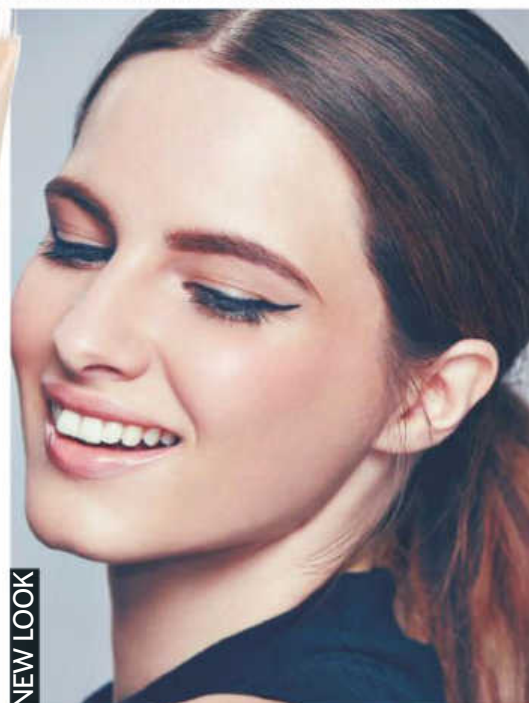
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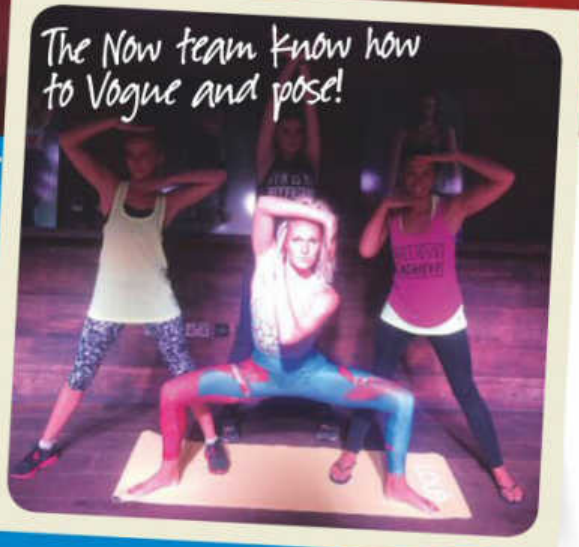
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- 7 Moves flow between warrior poses and vogueing arms.
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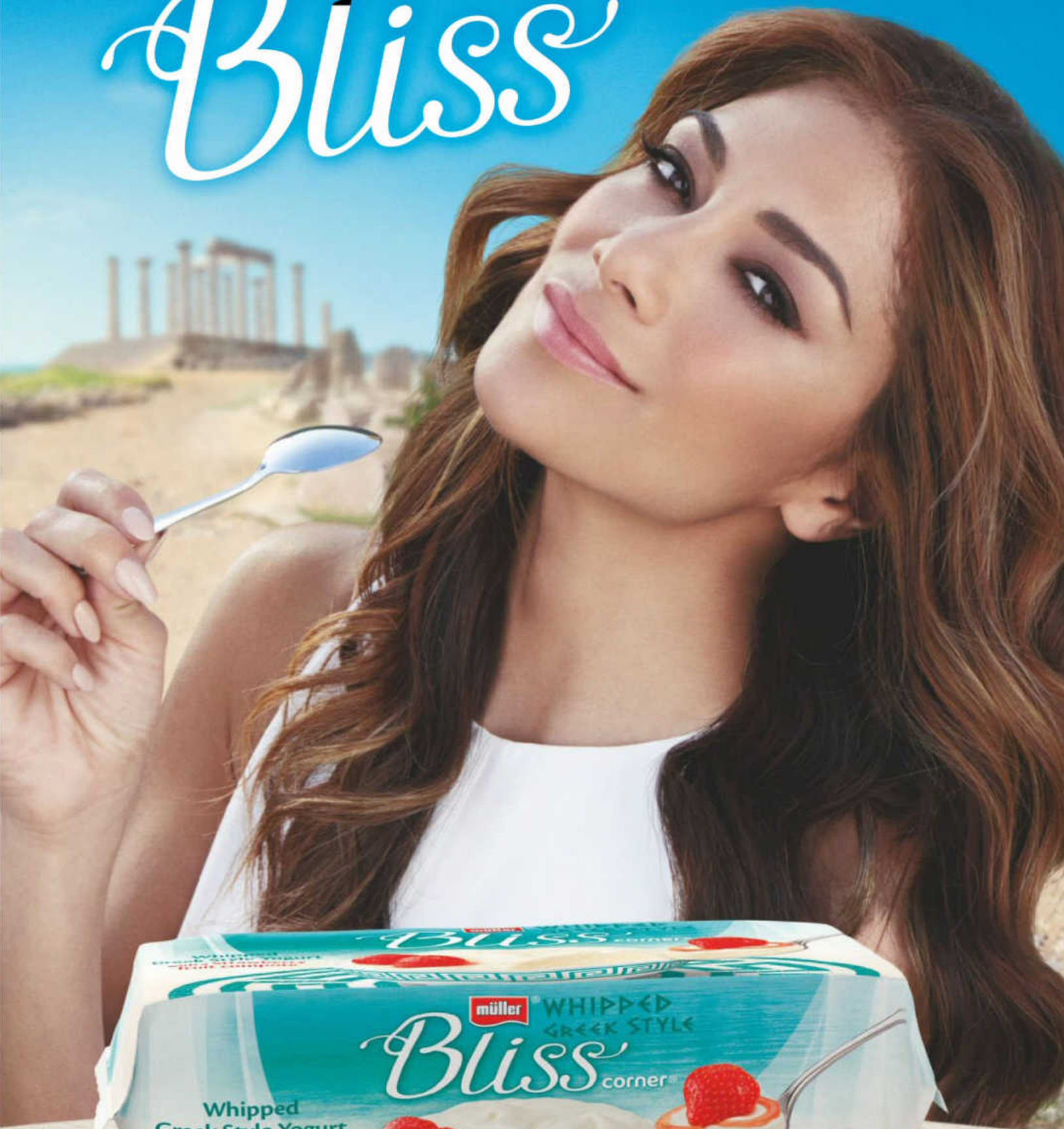
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Radio 2 DJ **Sara Cox**, 40, shares her top-to-toe health secrets

'I feel strong and fit, not skinny'

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What exercise do you do?
I try to go to the gym two or three times a week. That's usually for 30 minutes of high intensity training, like legging it on the running machine. I run with the dog and I usually do a horseriding lesson once a week.

Is there a workout you don't enjoy?

I know Pilates is massively popular, with those things that look like stretching racks from medieval times, but I find it quite boring.

Any motivation tips?

I just need music to go running – like I'm being chased through a rave!

Do you have a favourite body part?

My legs are alright. I still pop them out! That's from the running and I think I've got good genes. So yeah, I feel confident in summer clothes. I feel quite strong and fit rather than skinny.

Do you ever diet?

No, but I did get a NutriBullet because I thought: 'I've got to get some good stuff in me instead of just peanut butter and bagels.' I don't cut anything out. I grew up trying all kinds of food so that's the way I try to be with my kids [Lola, 11, Isaac, seven, and Renee, five] as well.

Any guilty food pleasures?

There's always a bit of salami nestled in the fridge. I'm just one to stand by the fridge and nick stuff!



SARA'S FOOD DIARY

Now's expert sports nutritionist **Ollie Frost** gives his verdict on her daily diet



Breakfast

I'll have a NutriBullet juice I've prepared the night before, then a cup of tea. If I go to the gym, I have a toasted bagel with avocado and chilli.

OLLIE SAYS NutriBullets are a fantastic way to pack in vitamins. Capsaicin, the compound found in chilli, has been linked to fat loss.



Lunch

Linguine with chilli, crab and spinach stirred through it.

OLLIE SAYS Linguine is a great workout-day option to replenish energy. Crab, like other fish and shellfish, is a good source of omega-3 essential fatty acids.



Dinner

A baked potato with tuna and jalapeños.

OLLIE SAYS Tuna is high in protein, which will promote muscle growth. It also contains selenium, which can lower blood pressure and reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease.



Snacks

I carry around little individual malt loafs – they're quite good when I'm on air because I can munch them quickly!

OLLIE SAYS Malt loaf is a high-carb snack, great for refuelling post-training. Other good high-fibre nibbles include apples or bananas.



TOTAL CALS 1,531 (GDA 2,000)

VERDICT Sara's diet is high in carbohydrates, which will not only help her recover from training but also help her lose body fat, as her overall calories are low enough to do so. However, she should include more vegetables, such as leafy greens, which are high in powerful antioxidants to protect her immune system.

Sara's an ambassador for the National Lottery Awards. Find out more at lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/awards

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VIRGO 23 Aug-22 Sep

You know yourself better than most and what I love is your ability to laugh at yourself. You admit to moments of madness! A big lesson learnt helps you avoid making the same mistake twice.

Call for more in a bumper love week.
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SAGITTARIUS 23 Nov-21 Dec

What some won't appreciate is your insistence that rules are adhered to, even the smallest detail. Others may want to wing it, but you know that way trouble lies – and you'd be right.

Call for more on an overseas romance.
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PISCES 20 Feb-20 Mar

A Full Moon is urging an emotional moment that's more unusual now Jupiter is opposite her. This elevates the Moon to new heights – direct her towards who or what needs clarity.

Love and work mingle. Call for more.
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GEMINI 22 May-20 Jun

At last you see the light and it's shining on a path that isn't the easiest of routes, but one you're happy to tread. A challenge is pushing you right to the front of a work queue.

Love dramas are incoming. Call me.
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LIBRA 23 Sep-22 Oct

What people tell you and the reality of a situation can be two different things. Check things out yourself – especially at work – before assuming everything you're told is the truth.

A friendship – or is it more? Call me.
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CAPRICORN 22 Dec-20 Jan

Could you be any less interested in what someone has to say? Maybe it's wiser to move away, but what if you can't? Is it time to let them know what you know and they don't? Secret's out.

Time to speak up – call me for more.
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ARIES 21 Mar-20 Apr

Saying goodbye to someone, or a goal you've had, may feel like a struggle but when you know it's right, you know it's right. Follow through on a change and create space for something better.

Venus and Mars bring love. Call me.
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CANCER 21 Jun-22 Jul

What would a sandy beach and sunshine do for you? Your ruler the Moon seeks adventure – she's showing where an obstacle can be removed and new places or faces found. Follow her lead.

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SCORPIO 23 Oct-22 Nov

You're happy to share success but beware a smiling limelight thief who could be claiming more of the credit than they deserve. What's your hard work should be acknowledged as such.

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AQUARIUS 21 Jan-19 Feb

The pasta bar looks nice – what about salad? Small talk can be useful but not when someone wants to know what's in your heart, not what's for lunch. Open up or lose their interest.

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TAURUS 21 Apr-21 May

When people gossip you have a choice: you can get involved or not. Getting involved might make you feel like part of the group, but getting caught could set you apart from a better one.

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LEO 23 Jul-22 Aug

What lies beneath? You're set up for a week that shows you the who, what, when and where of a situation that has your head in a spin. Drama? Maybe, but that's how you sort things out.

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Celebrity Big Brother

Channel 5, 9pm, 27 August

The dust has barely settled, but already another group of celebs is making for the CBB house. This series' theme is USA vs UK, and hosts Rylan Clark and Emma Willis have promised fireworks! 'The mix of housemates is very clever,' says Rylan, 'as a lot of the Americans are, without sounding stereotypical, well, very... American!'

TV

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A quickie with...

KEITH LEMON

We catch up with *Through The Keyhole* host Keith, 42

What's in store this series, Keith?

We went to the biggest house I've ever seen in Vegas. The celebs have been really kind this time and leave us bottles of champagne to have a drink at the end of the day.

Have you caused any damage?

I tried on a dress that someone wore to the NTAs and completely split it!

Do you ever take sneaky souvenirs?

No, but I'll always go for a shit in their houses though. Sometimes I'll leave skids in their toilet as a little gift.

Er, nice. What's the worst house you've visited?

We actually visited the shittest one ever this series! I can't name names, but they didn't even seem ashamed when we had to bring a cleaner in.

How clean is your house?

My gaff's all nice cos if you bring a girl back to a stinky hole she's not going to want to have sex. I plan ahead, see.

Through The Keyhole is on ITV1 at 9.30pm on Saturdays



That's a RAP

Straight Outta Compton

At cinemas 28 August

We're not going to pretend to be rap aficionados, but this biopic of N.W.A. had us captivated. It reveals how

rappers Dr Dre, Ice Cube, Eazy-E, MC Ren and DJ Yella revolutionised music from the streets of 1980s Compton. Prepared to be shocked, inspired and dancing in your seat – sometimes all at the same time.

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MDNGHT

This Manchester dance collective are like Years & Years – except maybe even cooler. We love their track *Into The Night*.

Educating Cardiff

Channel 4, 9pm, Tuesdays
The inspiring, tearjerking and downright LOL-some documentary series is back, this time set in Cardiff. Don't miss it.

Surprise iTunes bills

Ever get click-happy when you're, er, 'DJing' before a night out? Us too. And it always ends up costing an arm and a leg come Monday...

The last bank holiday for ages

After 31 August, we've got to wait until Christmas Day for another national holiday. No fair.



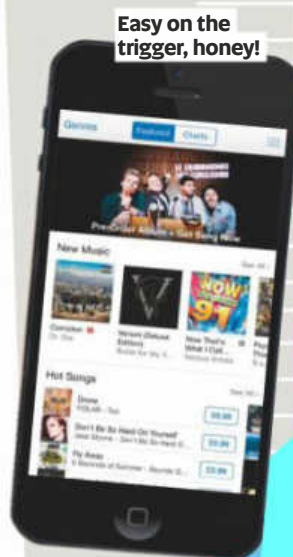
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Danny And The Human Zoo

BBC1, 9pm, 31 August

This fictionalised account of Lenny Henry's boyhood growing up in 1970s Dudley is centred around Danny, a comedy genius whose mother rules his life with an iron fist. Something tells us that making it big on the comedy circuit won't be easy...

Kolkata With Sue Perkins

BBC1, 9pm, 2 September

Our fave Bake Off host (apart from, er, Mel) is off to Bengal, visiting Kolkata, where she meets street kids and visits holy temples. Prepare to be awed.

TV



2015 MTV VMAS

MTV, 8pm, 31 August

With Miley Cyrus presenting the awards (yes, even after Robin Thicke-gate) and The Weeknd performing, there are sure to be tons more surprises in store.

TV

What Went Down by Foals

Out 28 August

The band's fourth album is said to be their loudest and heaviest offering to date and if the title track is anything to go by, then we can't wait. We've got chills down our spines already.

ALBUM



Words: Rosie Gizauskas

Chilling OUT



EVENT

Macmillan Cancer Support World's Biggest Coffee Morning

Nationwide, 25 September (coffee.macmillan.org.uk)

Get organising your effort for the annual fundraising event, this year celebrating its 25th anniversary.

FriendsFest

The Boiler House, Brick Lane, London, 16-20 September (comedycentral.co.uk/tickets)

OMG, want to visit a re-creation of Monica's apartment? Tickets sold out but more will be available soon – check out @ComedyCentralUK on Twitter.

POP-UP



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The Garden Party

The Tetley, Leeds, 29-30 August (thegardenpartyleeds.com)

Catch the likes of Roisin Murphy, Little Dragon, Soul II Soul and Todd Terje at this epic bank holiday festival.

Sundown Festival

Norfolk

Showground, 4-6 September (sundownfestival.co.uk)

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I was impressed by the brochure. It is beautifully produced and very stylish! I settled on the slim PicoBong Zizo battery-operated toy. PicoBong's quality speaks for itself - they have sold over a million vibrators! A couple of days after ordering, a discreet plain box arrived in the post, within which was the Zizo. The vibrator is made from smooth silicone and is skin safe, powerful, quiet and 100% waterproof. Don't think that vibrators are just for use alone - I love to use mine with my husband and my Zizo means that I never have difficulty reaching orgasm.

Since my first purchase, I've been a frequent visitor to Jo Divine's web site. There's so much free information and advice and it's all presented in a very pleasant manner - it has certainly made me feel much more confident about trying out new toys! Oh, and remember that friend who had a little giggle at my expense? Well, she's the very happy owner of a PicoBong Zizo too!

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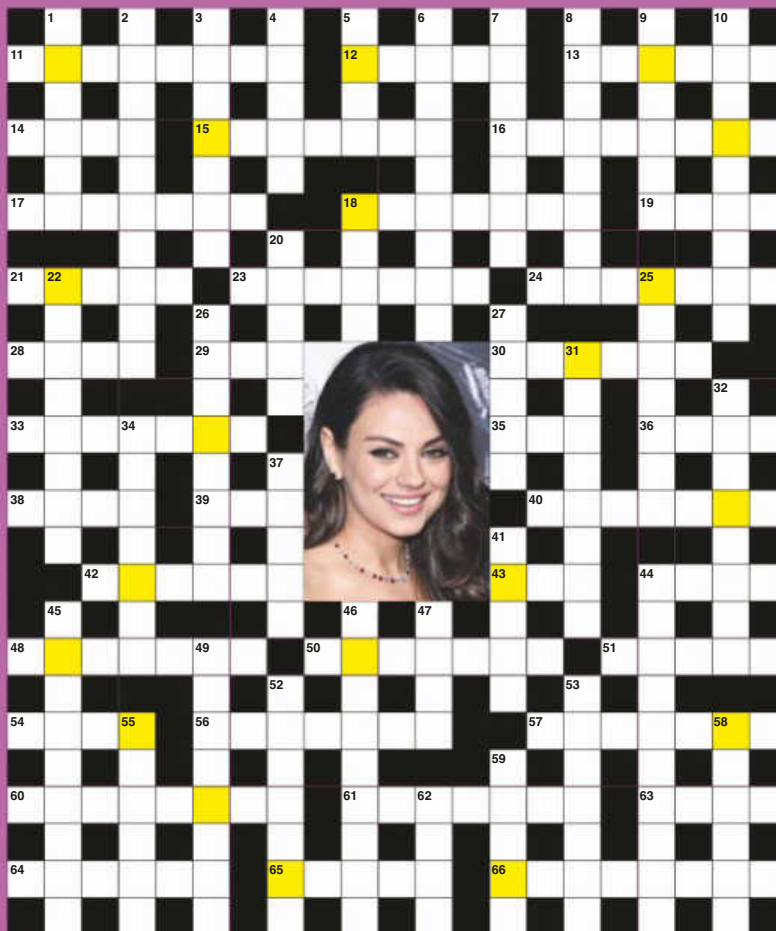
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ACROSS

- 11 Previous romantic partner (3,5)
- 12 Black hardwood (5)
- 13 Type of glossy, brightly coloured paint (6)
- 14 Regulation (4)
- 15 Set of yachting races (7)
- 16 Ten hundreds (8)
- 17 Retirement income (7)
- 18 Instructed (7)
- 19 Rendezvous (4)
- 21 Book of maps (5)
- 23 Baby's room (7)
- 24 Singer of gentle songs (7)
- 28 Lion's hair (4)
- 29 Chest bone (3)
- 30 Profitable possessions (6)
- 33 Notion, basic idea (7)
- 35 Pub counter (3)
- 36 Make tea (4)
- 38 Give assistance (4)
- 39 Sprint (3)
- 40 Swimmer's breathing tube (7)
- 42 Not in any order at all (6)
- 43 Young goat (3)
- 44 Sections of a play (4)
- 48 Join again after separation (7)
- 50 Fill with air (7)
- 51 Rome's country (5)
- 54 Toad-like creature (4)
- 56 System of train tracks (7)
- 57 Coastal bird (7)
- 60 Manicuring instrument (4,4)
- 61 Silhouette, basic sketch (7)
- 63 As well (4)
- 64 Draw back in horror (6)
- 65 Canonised person (5)
- 66 London airport (8)

DOWN

- 1 Woman's shirt (6)
- 2 Men's cologne (10)
- 3 One who loves and is



- 4 Row of bushes used as a fence (5)
- 5 Undershirt (4)
- 6 Residence of a community of monks (9)
- 7 Enigma, puzzle (7)
- 8 Musical instrument much played at school (8)
- 9 Kidnapper's demand (6)
- 10 Wandered, like a slow-moving river (9)
- 18 Elephant's tooth (4)
- 20 Sport played at Twickenham (5)

- 22 Cloth for drying crockery (3,5)
- 25 Autumnal month (7)
- 26 Made ready (8)
- 27 Perhaps (5)
- 31 Romantic song (8)
- 32 Statue's plinth (8)
- 34 Ship's commander (7)
- 37 Garden ornament, statue of a little man (5)
- 41 Item of footwear used at a rink (5)
- 44 Personal signatures (10)
- 45 Withdrew armed

- forces (9)
- 46 Mountainous national park of North Wales (9)
- 47 Potter's material (4)
- 49 Mexican flat round pancake (8)
- 52 Widespread, various (7)
- 53 High-ranking soldier (7)
- 55 59 Down pints (6)
- 58 Teaching period (6)
- 59 Number of notes in an octave (5)
- 62 Ballet skirt (4)

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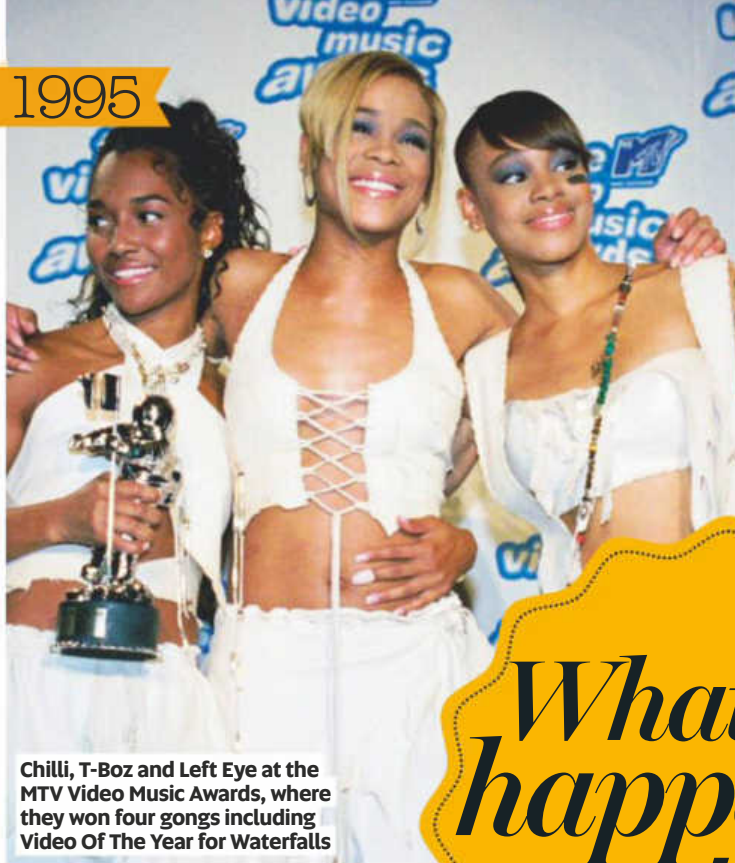
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1995



Chilli, T-Boz and Left Eye at the MTV Video Music Awards, where they won four gongs including Video Of The Year for Waterfalls

NOW



The girls are working as a duo after Lisa's tragic death in 2002

Whatever happened to....?

TLC



In July this year, T-Boz Tweeted this snap, writing: 'These were the dayzzzz...'



Their second album earned them two Grammy Awards



A new TLC album is set for release this year, thanks to a Kickstarter campaign



Chilli @officialchilli - Feb 18
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The 90s girl band?

Yes, that's them! In 1990, Tionne 'T-Boz' Watkins, Lisa 'Left Eye' Lopes and Crystal Jones formed TLC (an acronym of all their first names). But Crystal was booted out of the group before the ink was dry on their first record contract, and Rozonda 'Chilli' Thomas, a former backing dancer, was brought in as her replacement. TLR didn't have quite the same ring to it, so they kept the name TLC and their debut album, Ooooooohhh... On The TLC Tip, was released in 1992.

Then what happened?

The girls supported MC Hammer on tour and their second album, 1994's CrazySexyCool, gave them huge hit singles Creep and Waterfalls. But behind the scenes things were unravelling. Lisa was in a fiery relationship with American football player Andre Rison and struggling with alcoholism, while Tionne was battling sickle-cell anaemia.

Then, in 1995, the girls had to declare themselves bankrupt.

But they didn't break up?

No, they left their management deal, which they felt was causing some of their financial problems, and released two more albums FanMail in 1999 and 3D in 2002. But tragedy struck before the release of 3D when Lisa, aged just 30, was killed in a car accident in Honduras. Since she'd already recorded vocals for some of the songs on the album, the group decided to put it out anyway and then disband.

So what are the others up to now?

T-Boz and Chilli have worked together since TLC ended. Rozonda appeared on Tionne's reality show Totally T-Boz and they were both executive producers on VH1's 2013 biopic CrazySexyCool: The TLC story. Tionne's also been a spokesperson for the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America since the mid-90s and recently organised a concert to

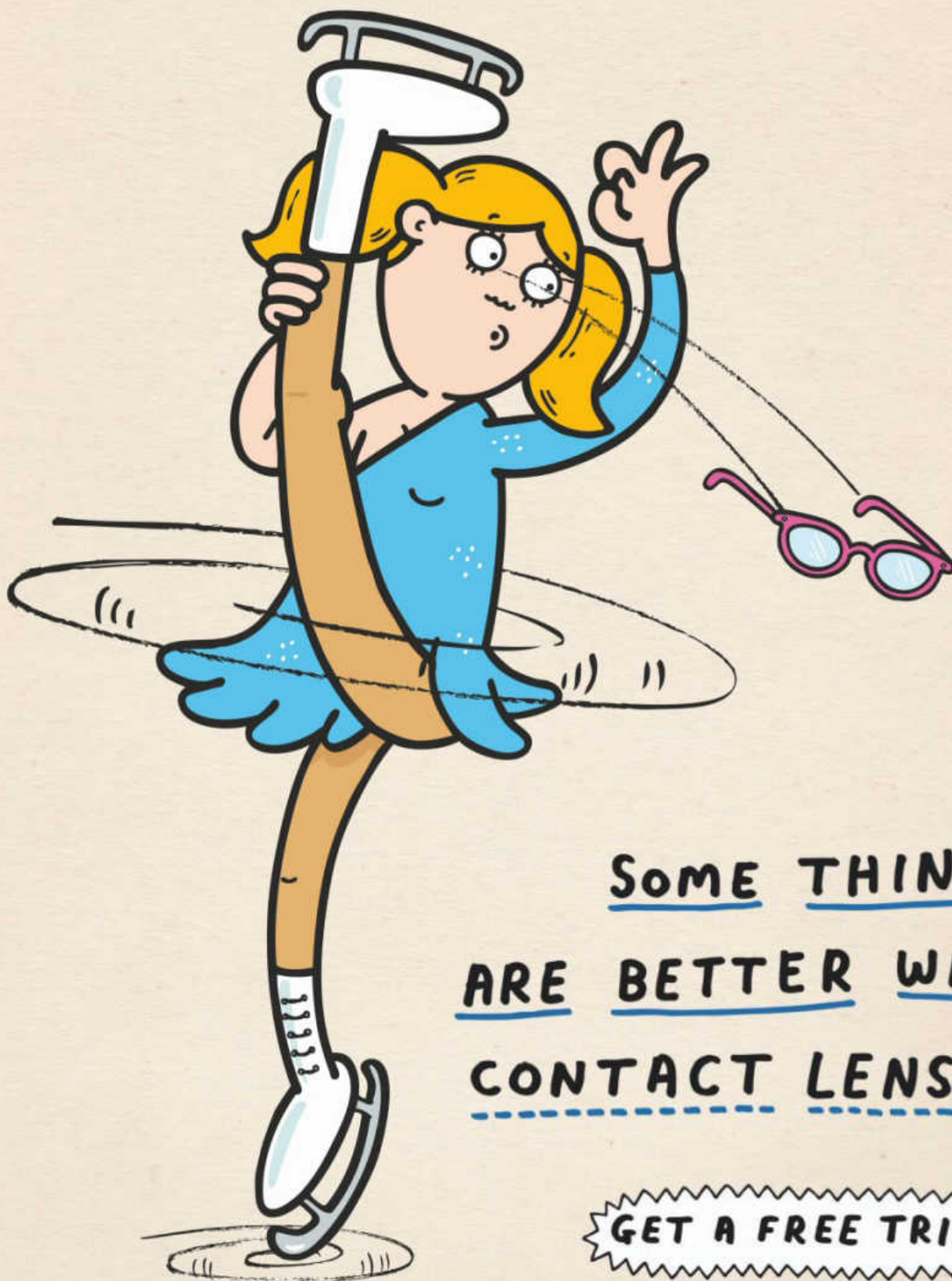


Chilli released one solo single Dumb Dumb Dumb in 2008 and has also appeared on reality TV shows Rachael Vs Guy: Celebrity Cook Off (above), Celebrities Undercover and The Millionaire Matchmaker.

raise money for a support group.

Anything else?

They're planning a comeback! In January 2015, Chilli, now 44, and T-Boz, now 45, announced plans to record a final album with the help of a Kickstarter campaign. Within days of it going live they hit their \$150,000 target – even Katy Perry donated \$5,000! The album is expected later this year.



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